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GLASGOW SILK FIRM FAILURE: FRAUDS ALLEGED.

PROMINENT CITY MEN ARRESTED.

FACING VERY GRAVE CHARGES.

THIRTEEN IN DOCK.

Arising out of the failure of Scottish Amalgamated Silks, Limited, thirteen of Glasgow's leading industrialists were arrested on Monday and charged yesterday with fraud and false pretences. Grave scandals in connexion with the flotation and conduct of the company are alleged.

London, Feb. 16. Glasgow has been stirred by the sudden arrest of thirteen business men, some of whom are prominent in the public life of the city.

Those arrested are connected with the Scottish Amalgamated Silks, Ltd., which is now in voluntary liquidation. A sum of nearly half a million sterling is involved. Simultaneously with the Glasgow arrests, a Company promoter has been arrested in Manchester, charged with forming a fraudulent scheme to obtain money from the public in connexion with the above Company. He is being sent to Glasgow for trial.

The Scottish Amalgamated Silks, Ltd., was formed in 1928 with a capital of nearly two millions sterling.—*Reuter.*

Names of the Accused.

London, Feb. 17. The following are the names of the thirteen arrested business men:

- Fred Tomlinson.
- John Morrison Rockland.
- George Stanley Conns.
- Seton Vetch Conns.
- Joseph Johnstone.
- James Sutherland.
- Robert Hannay.
- Alexander Young.
- George Todd.
- Duncan Wilkie.
- Alexander Rennie.
- John Gardner.
- Arthur Callender Strachie.

James Sutherland, who is an octogenarian, has been granted bail in a sum of £10,000, owing to ill-health.

Fraud and False Pretences.

Later. The thirteen well-known North of England and West Scotland business men were formally remanded in custody at the Glasgow Sheriff's Court to-day.

They were charged with fraud and false pretences arising from the Crown investigation of the affairs of the Scottish Amalgamated Silks, Ltd.

The amount involved is said to be £438,000.—*Reuter.*

GERMAN RAILWAY SHARES.

INTERNATIONAL ACTION ASSURES SALE.

Berlin, Feb. 16. By arrangement, a group of international bankers, including the French Government, has assured the sale of Mks. 300,000,000 worth of German railway preference shares at a discount of 6½ per cent.—*Reuter.*

NEW PRESIDENT OF FINLAND.

PREMIER ELECTED BY NARROW MARGIN.

Helsingfors, Feb. 16. The Premier, M. Svin Hufvud, has been elected President of Finland. He secured 151 votes to 149 cast for Dr. Stahlberg.—*Reuter.*

BRITAIN & SILVER PROBLEM.

WON'T BE BACKWARD IF CONFERENCE CALLED.

SNOWDEN'S ATTITUDE.

London, Feb. 17. The silver question was raised in the House of Commons to-day when the Chancellor of the Exchequer was questioned on the matter by Mr. W. Smithers, Conservative M.P. for the Chislehurst Division of Kent.

Mr. Snowden informed the questioner that he had not received any invitation from the American Government to attend a Conference with a view to restoring the price of silver.

Mr. Snowden urged that in view of the worldwide interest in the price of silver, Mr. Snowden ought to take every opportunity to fall in with arrangements being made in various parts of the world so that Britain would not be left out of this Conference.

Mr. Snowden, in reply, said: "I did not think the British Government should take the initiative in this matter. He remarked that 'it should rest with other countries with far greater interests than we have in this matter.'"

Mr. Snowden added that if there was an International Conference, Britain would not be backward.—*Reuter.*

IMPORTANT COURT RULING.

NATIONAL CITY BANK DOUBLE OBLIGATIONS.

New York, Feb. 16. Reversing the favourable opinion of the lower Court, in a suit brought by Messrs. C. B. Richard and Company to compel the National City Bank to pay the New York rate of 13 cents per pound, instead of the 4½ cents ruling at Leningrad on the deposits of the National City Bank in Leningrad on September 1st, 1918, the day on which the Bank closed, the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of New York State has ruled that the Bank should not be held liable for the New York value.

The decision is important, because it involves millions of dollars for similar transactions.—*Reuter's American Service.*

MAMMOTH CUNARD LINER.

MAY BE LAUNCHED NEXT FEBRUARY.

London, Feb. 17. The new 70,000-ton Cunarder may be ready for launch by the end of next February if present expectations of Messrs. John Brown, the builders, are realised.

Work both in the Clyde and Yard and in the factories and foundries in various industrial centres is progressing rapidly, with day and night shifts. The transport of special parts from places as far distant as Darlington creates problems for which many ingenious solutions have been found. The rudder, weighing 150 tons, will require a specially-prepared vessel to carry it from Middlesbrough to the Clyde. The gigantic size of the new liner is such that each of the funnels would contain the hulls of four steamers of the first Cunard fleet.—*British Wireless.*

TWO MOTOR CARS STOLEN.

TAKEN FROM KOWLOON PARKING STANDS.

Two cases have been reported to police of cars having been stolen from parking stands in Kowloon. In the first case, Lieut. H.M. King, R.N., Kai Tak Aerodrome, reports that his Chrysler, valued at \$2,000, was stolen the night before last.

Mr. C.H. Thomson, of 11, Stafford Road, Kowloon Tong, similarly reported that his Willys Knight (No. 1728) vanished from the Tsim Sha Tsui parking ground the night before last.

OUTLOOK IN INDIA BRIGHTER.

LORD IRWIN TALKS WITH GANDHI.

BRITISH DELEGATION MAY BE SENT.

GUESSES ASTRAY.

High hopes prevail regarding the outcome of conversations between Lord Irwin, the Viceroy, and Mahatma Gandhi, which opened at Delhi yesterday. Meanwhile, London newspapers appear to be making wild guesses at the composition of a Parliamentary Delegation, which will probably be sent to India in the near future.

New Delhi, Feb. 16. Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary for India, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Dominions Secretary, and other Parliamentary delegates are expected to arrive here early in March, with constitutional experts, for discussions in India, with a view to the appointment of Indian Committees to work out the details of the proposed new Constitution.—*Reuter.*

Official Denial.

London, Feb. 16. It is officially stated in India that there is no truth in the report from New Delhi that Mr. Wedgwood Benn and Mr. Thomas are shortly proceeding to India.

Reuter learns, however, that there is no reason to believe that the Government has abandoned the project of sending a delegation to India. It is, in fact, considering the question of sending out a small body of British politicians and officials to follow up the work of the Round Table Conference.

Lord Sankey Cannot Go.

Many of the delegates to the Conference had hoped that the party would include Lord Sankey and Mr. Wedgwood Benn, but it is pointed out that special obstacles prevent the Lord Chancellor from leaving the country.

It is, however, not improbable that other members of the Government may visit India, though no decision has yet been taken.—*Reuter.*

Rumours Speculative.

London, Feb. 16. It is authoritatively stated that no decision has been reached regarding the despatch of a Parliamentary delegation to India, to continue the work of the Round Table Conference, and that rumours regarding the ultimate constitution of the delegation are therefore clearly speculative.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary for India, stated in the House of Commons to-day that he was unable as yet to make a precise statement of the Government's plans.

Gandhi to Meet Viceroy.

When asked if he had any information regarding the attitude of the Congress Party towards the Conference proposals, Mr. Benn said he could add nothing to what had appeared in the Press.

In reply to a further question, Mr. Benn said he understood there was to be an interview between the Viceroy and Gandhi.

Questioned regarding the present position in respect of the armed rising in Burma, Mr. Benn said the main outbreak had been dealt with, but there is still a considerable number of rebels in the forests, who had broken up into small gangs and were being dealt with as systematically as possible. It is still uncertain whether the leader, Sayasan, is alive or dead.—*British Wireless.*

Gandhi Meets Viceroy.

New Delhi, Feb. 17. Lord Irwin and Mahatma Gandhi had a conversation lasting four hours to-day.

It is believed to have been of a satisfactory nature, and is being resumed to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

Premier's Denial.

London, Feb. 17. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Churchill, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald described the re-

SINGAPORE AIR CRASH.

DOUBLE FATALITY IN R.A.F.

PARACHUTE FAILS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, Feb. 17. The first Royal Air Force tragedy since the Air Force Base was established at Singapore has cast a gloom over the town to-day.

There were two victims of the disaster.

Flying Officer Davis, Corporal Boyce.

Both were attached to the R.A.F. Singapore, and they were killed in the crashing of a big bomber which they had taken up for exercises over Singapore.

The machine got into difficulties and crashed from a height of 5,000 feet.

Flying Officer Davis made an attempt to escape, jumping out of the machine on its headlong flight, with his parachute trailing behind. Unfortunately, the parachute failed to open and Flying Officer Davis was killed.

Corporal Boyce remained in the machine and was killed instantaneously when it crashed in a mangrove swamp.

BRITISH COTTON EXHIBITION.

QUEEN INTERESTED IN THE DISPLAY.

London, Feb. 16. Her Majesty the Queen visited the British Cotton Exhibition at the White City to-day. She made a tour of the exhibits, in which she showed great interest, afterwards expressing herself as delighted.

Her Majesty congratulated those associated with the organisation and expressed the hope that the exhibition, which is being held in connexion with the British Industries Fair, would have great success in stimulating trade.—*British Wireless.*

MURDER MYSTERY UNSOLVED.

VERDICT IN BLACKHEATH TRAGEDY.

London, Feb. 17. The inquest was held to-day on the body of Louisa Maud Steel, an 18-year-old servant girl, whose strangled and mutilated body was found at Blackheath on January 23rd, under circumstances which suggested that she had been murdered in a motor-car and the body then thrown on to the Heath.

The jury's verdict was one of murder against some unknown person.—*Reuter.*

RETURN OF CAPTAIN CAMPBELL.

TO HAVE OFFICIAL WELCOME TO-MORROW.

London, Feb. 16. Captain Malcolm Campbell will receive an official welcome on his return from creating a new land speed record at Daytona.

Captain Campbell is due to arrive aboard the Mauretania at Southampton on Thursday.

The ceremony, it was announced in the House of Commons to-day, will take place in Westminster Hall.—*British Wireless.*

port that Mr. Wedgwood Benn and Mr. Thomas were proceeding to India soon as baseless.

The Premier added that no such decisions had been made. The Government was consulting with the Viceroy how best to carry on the negotiations begun in London, and the arrangements, when completed, would be announced.—*Reuter.*

POLITICAL CRISIS IN SPAIN: MADRID NERVOUS.

CONFUSION WORST CONFOUNDED.

TWO ATTEMPTS TO ASSUME CONTROL FAIL.

"MONARCHICAL UNITY"

Spain is in a political turmoil. The situation appears to be changing every minute. Senor Alba has definitely refused to return to Madrid, Senor Sanchez Guerra, former Left Conservative, has failed in an attempt to form a government, and another effort to establish a Military Dictatorship has also collapsed.

There is a fear of labour troubles, Republican sentiment is running high among the leaders of the Left, and the situation appears to have moved towards the Right. Important developments are expected in the next day or two.

Paris, Feb. 16.

Senor Santiago Alba, the exiled Liberal leader, has declined the request of King Alfonso to proceed to Madrid for the purpose of forming a Cabinet.—*Reuter.*

Senor Guerra Invited.

Madrid, Feb. 16. Senor Sanchez Guerra, the former Left Conservative leader, who was imprisoned in connexion with the abortive rising at Valencia in 1929, has been invited to form a Cabinet.

Senor Guerra, who is a lawyer by profession, has been prominently associated with the Left wing of the Conservative Party, the so-called Liberal-Conservatives, for many years. He formed a Cabinet in 1922 which did not last very long. When, in 1926, the proposal for a National Assembly nominated by the Government was mooted, he wrote to the King, whose friendship he had enjoyed, stating that if this "farceful project" was carried out, he would feel compelled to sever all relations with the Royal House and leave Spain for a time.

Later, he denounced the new Parliament, on the ground that it would be merely the instrument of Primo de Rivera, and after making this protest he went into voluntary exile.

The Valencia Rising.

He returned to Spain in 1928 and organised the Valencia rising against the Dictatorship. The revolt was crushed and Guerra and his son were arrested. The King is stated to have urged that Guerra, who had rendered many services to the Crown, should be pardoned, but Primo de Rivera decided that he and his son should be tried by court martial. Both were acquitted. The Cabinet later reopened the case, but the higher court confirmed the acquittals. Thereupon Guerra gave up his leadership of the Party.

After the fall of the Dictator and the promising of a more liberal regime by General Berenguer, Senor Guerra made a sensational speech, last year, in which he declared that the King had lost the confidence of the nation, as he was responsible for the establishment of the Dictatorship and must be held responsible for its misdeeds.

A Constitutionalist.

"His Majesty," he added, "has dishonoured his constitutional agreement with the people. I am not a Republican, but the Spanish people has the right to change its form of government if it wishes. It must do so, however, in a legal manner."

The sequel to this and other speeches was a ban on political meetings.—*Reuter and I. B. S.*

Guerra's Busy Day.

Madrid, Feb. 16. In the grim Escorial Palace, King Alfonso spent this afternoon praying at his mother's tomb, while Senor Sanchez Guerra plodded on an unceasing round of visits to potential Ministerial colleagues, several of whom are actually behind prison bars.

Count Romanones definitely promised the support of the Liberal Party, but the result of the conference was not announced.—*(Continued on Page 12.)*

SEVEN ELECTIONS PENDING.

UNPRECEDENTED POSITION AT HOME.

EARLY POLLINGS.

London, Feb. 16.

Owing to ill-health, Mr. Hugh Morrison, Conservative M.P. for Salisbury, resigned his seat in the House of Commons to-day.

At the General Election, Mr. Morrison had a majority of 2,600 over the Liberal candidate and 11,000 over the Labour nominee.

It is anticipated that at the bye-election now rendered necessary by Morrison's resignation, Liberal and Labour candidates will again contest the seat.—*British Wireless.*

London, Feb. 17.

The country is faced with an almost unprecedented situation in the nature of a miniature General Election. Seven bye-elections are either progressing or pending. These are as follows:

At East Islington, due to the death of Dr. Ethel Bentham (Labour). The candidates are Mrs. Leah Manning (Labour), Miss Thelma Cazalet (Conservative), Major Crawford (Liberal), and Brigadier General Critchley (Empire Crusader). Polling takes place on Thursday, and all parties concede that the contest is likely to be a close one.

At Fareham, due to the retirement of Sir John Davidson (Conservative). The candidates here are the former Attorney General, Sir Thomas Inskip (Conservative), Mr. Cross (Liberal), and Mr. Pearson (Labour). Polling takes place on Friday.

At Salisbury, owing to the retirement of Mr. Hugh Morrison (Conservative).

At Pontypridd, owing to the resignation of Mr. Mardy Jones (Labour).

The other bye-elections are at St. George's, Westminster; Sunderland, Fermanagh and Tyrone, owing to the deaths of the sitting members.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH TARIFF PROPOSALS.

REQUESTS MADE TO SEVEN COUNTRIES.

London, Feb. 17.

Light was thrown on Britain's request for tariff reductions by Mr. W. R. Smith, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Smith said the British proposals sent to Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Poland and Switzerland embraced articles of principal interest to British trade. They must be regarded as confidential at the present stage, but the general line followed was request for the consolidation of existing duties where they were already low, and in most cases where they were substantial a reduction of 25 per cent. was requested.—*Reuter.*

England's Lead.

England thus gained a lead of 147 runs on the first innings and provided runs could be made quickly appeared well set for victory.

Instructions to hit out, however, was probably responsible for a disastrous start. Three runs had been scored when Lee was dismissed, Wyatt was out leg before at 23 and with the score unchanged, Hammond was caught by Mitchell off Catterall.

Hendren and Leyland pulled things together somewhat and at the close of play yesterday, the board showed 110 for 3 wickets, Hendren being not out 39 and Leyland not out 41.

It was evident when the game was resumed this morning that a great fight for victory was in prospect.

Nupen bowled with deadly effect. Hendren was caught with his score at 45, Leyland had gone five runs before with the total at 120 and his own contribution 46.

Tate's Brave Hitting.

Tate made a brave show. He was at the wicket for exactly 25 minutes and scored 38 runs. Four times he hit the ball out of the ground for sixes and his total included two fours.

Chapman made three, Voce five and Peebles two, and at this stage 163 for 9 wickets, Nupen having taken every one of the last six, Chapman declared the innings closed.

England undoubtedly contributed largely to their own collapse by their anxiety to get runs quickly. The whole innings lasted only 161 minutes, and to-day's play lasted only 39 minutes in which 59 runs were scored while 6 wickets fell.

Nupen's Figures.

Until this morning, Nupen had not taken a wicket, and had had

SENSATIONAL PLAY IN THE FOURTH TEST.

GREAT BOWLING BY BOTH TEAMS.

SOUTH AFRICA NEAR WIN AFTER FACING DEFEAT.

EXCITING FINISH.

Johannesburg, Feb. 17.

After a most exciting battle for victory, the Fourth Test Match between South Africa and England was drawn to-day. At one or two periods it appeared that England were definitely on top, but some brilliant bowling by Nupen brought about a sensational collapse, and was a near thing, South Africa requiring only 37 runs to win with three wickets to fall.

The thrills began yesterday when South Africa resumed their innings in hot weather before a crowd of 3,000. Mitchell was dismissed by Tate before he had added to his overnight score, and Catterall failed to settle down, being out 18 runs later.

Taylor defended stubbornly and with Viljoen hitting out the position had been considerable improved before the lunch interval when the score-board showed 243 runs for 5 wickets. Viljoen was bowled by Voce in the last over before lunch.

Peebles Inspired.

Taylor attacked the bowling on resumption, when Peebles had an inspired spell, and took all the remaining five wickets, only 52 runs being added. Cameron went back, bowled, after making two. McMillan compiled twelve and was caught by Hendren off Peebles.

Nupen and Taylor appeared to be making a stand when Taylor playing back to Peebles, knocked his only wicket down. Peebles took the wickets of his two successors without any addition to the score.

Peebles, in fact, took the last three wickets in five balls for no runs.

Taylor had made 72 by splendid cricket, and Nupen was not out 11. Peebles who had met with little success until he suddenly took command of the game after lunch to-day returned a final analysis of 6 wickets for 83 runs. Voce's one wicket cost him 106 runs.

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AMOY CABLE STATION CLOSES DOWN.

SUDDEN ACTION BY CHINESE
AUTHORITIES.

Amoy, Feb. 13.
Much surprise was caused yesterday morning when the Great Northern Telegraph Company suddenly ceased to function, due, it is said, to differences between the Company and the Chinese Telegraph Authorities.

During early business hours, local Chinese Telegraph officials entered and closed the office in Amoy City, and afterwards tore down the sign boards. Later in the day, a committee waited upon Captain G. R. Bass, Secretary-Superintendent of police of the International Settlement of Kiangsu, and requested permission to take control of the main office of the Company, located on the island and within the Settlement. Captain Bass refused their request until they were able to produce a legal warrant approved by the Danish Consul.

Late in the afternoon the company issued a notice reading as follows:

"The Company regrets to have to inform the public that in deference to the Chinese Telegraph Authorities' wishes, the Company has been obliged, for the time being, to close the handling-in and delivery offices at Amoy and Kiangsu."

Since the announcement through the press that the Central Government and Cable Companies had reached a new agreement, the local public, believing that normal conditions would continue to prevail, has been rather astonished at this sudden turn of events, and is now wondering what are the underlying causes. In the absence of statements from both parties to the dispute, several rumours are floating about regarding the cause of this rupture.

Some declare that discord and misunderstanding have arisen between Nanking and Company officials. Others assert with some degree of confidence that the Ministry of Communications has not concurred with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the agreement reached with the Cable Companies, and that it is now taking into its own hands the control and operation of all telegraph communications on Chinese soil. Still others report the whole question as one of purely local concern, and which is being directed from behind the scenes by the Amoy branch of the Kuomintang.

Those hit hardest are the bankers and business men whose business depends upon rapid communications.

The facilities for telegraph communication to Amoy, while recently greatly improved, are far from perfect. They consist of the old land lines which are generally regarded as altogether unreliable and slow, and the newly installed radio. It is reported that the condition of the equipment of the land system renders expert rapid service next to impossible. The radio has not yet been tested in full. Reports vary as to its reliability for speed. However, it is generally believed that the Amoy plant and organisation are insufficient to carry the full load of every day business.—Our Own Correspondent.

Nanking Order.

Nanking, Feb. 12.
In telegrams dispatched yesterday to the Telegraph Administrations at Foochow and Amoy, the Ministry of Communications instructs that the telegraph land line between Foochow and Chuanshi-shan and that between Amoy and Kiangsu, which have hitherto been leased respectively to the Eastern Extension and the Great Northern Telegraph Companies, be immediately taken over, the terms of lease having already expired. The two companies, the order adds, should be notified that, with the expiration of the agreement, they will no longer enjoy the privilege of receiving or transmitting messages respectively in Foochow and Amoy.

Another meeting was held yesterday between representatives of

WINTER COLDS IN CHILDREN.

"Why does my child catch so many colds?" is a question which many a worried mother asks herself during the winter months. She keeps him well wrapped up in woollens, feeds him well and watches him carefully. Yet cold after cold comes along and she dreads each time that it might turn to something worse. Yet by far the majority of children's colds are preventable.

It has been definitely established that there is a germ which causes colds, hence the infectuousness, and it is also known that it is in the unhealthy, congested food tract that germs find their ideal breeding place.

To keep your children free from colds this winter give them Baby's Own Tablets occasionally. Given in small doses, these pleasant-tasting little tablets are a gentle stimulant to the internal organs, toning up the stomach and preventing stagnation in the intestines. Slightly increased doses quickly relieve infantile indigestion, constipation, colic, and stomach and bowel troubles generally. Baby's Own Tablets comprise also, ideally balanced ingredients which quickly allay fever, and croup. During teething they are invaluable, easing pains instantly and thus inducing sound natural sleep, although they are guaranteed to contain no narcotic drugs of any kind. They are mother's ideal stand-by and a boon to babes and young children. Always keep a vial in the home.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT
WEEK.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, state:

Sharpshooters' Company.
Strength. Constable R433 A. Mirama has been taken on the strength of the Sharpshooter Company as from February 14th, 1931.

Constable R434 C. F. Pragnell has been permitted to resign having completed one year's service with effect from February 11th, 1931.
Miniature Range Practice. Practice on the miniature range will take place as usual on Thursday, February 19th, at 5.15 p.m. for all members of the Company Rifle Club.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING,
D. S. P. (R).
Hongkong, Feb. 16.

the Ministry and those of the three foreign cable companies when the question of international cable rates was further probed.

Little Known Locally.

Mr. F. V. Jensen, Superintendent of the Hongkong office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company, stated yesterday that locally little was known, apart from the fact that the Amoy office had been temporarily closed for receiving and delivering messages. Telegrams for Amoy were now cabled to Shanghai and transmitted from there to Amoy by Chinese land line. He did not know what had led up to the closing of the office.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS CALENDAR.

TWELVE ALLEGED PIRATES
TO COME UP FOR TRIAL.

The 12 alleged pirates, who are indicted for an attack on a Hongkong cargo junk off Pedro Blanco, on January 4, this year, are to attend their trial at the Criminal Sessions to-morrow morning, before the Acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice Wood). Accused are Chung Tam-kwong, Leung Yan, Lau Kwong, Tsang Sung, Tsang Hing, Li Hing, Yau Hing,

Wong San, Wong Tim, Li Shu-lee, Lui Sui and Tsang Kau.

There are three counts against them, the first being that on January 4, 1931, upon the high seas off Pedro Blanco, they piratically and feloniously attacked cargo junk No. 206 (Hongkong licence), putting the master and crew in bodily fear. The second count alleges that they set upon and attacked the junk, putting the master, Chung Ma-yat, in bodily fear, with intent to take away the junk, her tackle and cargo from the owners, and steal the vessel. The third count alleges that accused attacked the junk with intent to steal it.

In addition to Thursday, both Friday and Monday have been reserved for the hearing of this case.

Other Cases.

Next Tuesday, Mr. Justice Wood will take the case of *Jeannina Maria Xavier*, who is charged on three counts, (1) wounding with intent to murder, (2) wounding with intent, and (3) wounding. Tuesday and Wednesday have been reserved for this case.

The Acting Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Lindsell) will hear two cases. Next Monday *Anastacio dos Remedios Marques* will appear before him on an indictment of robbery, by two or more, and a week on Thursday he will hear the case of *Lau Kit*, who is also charged with robbery by two or more.

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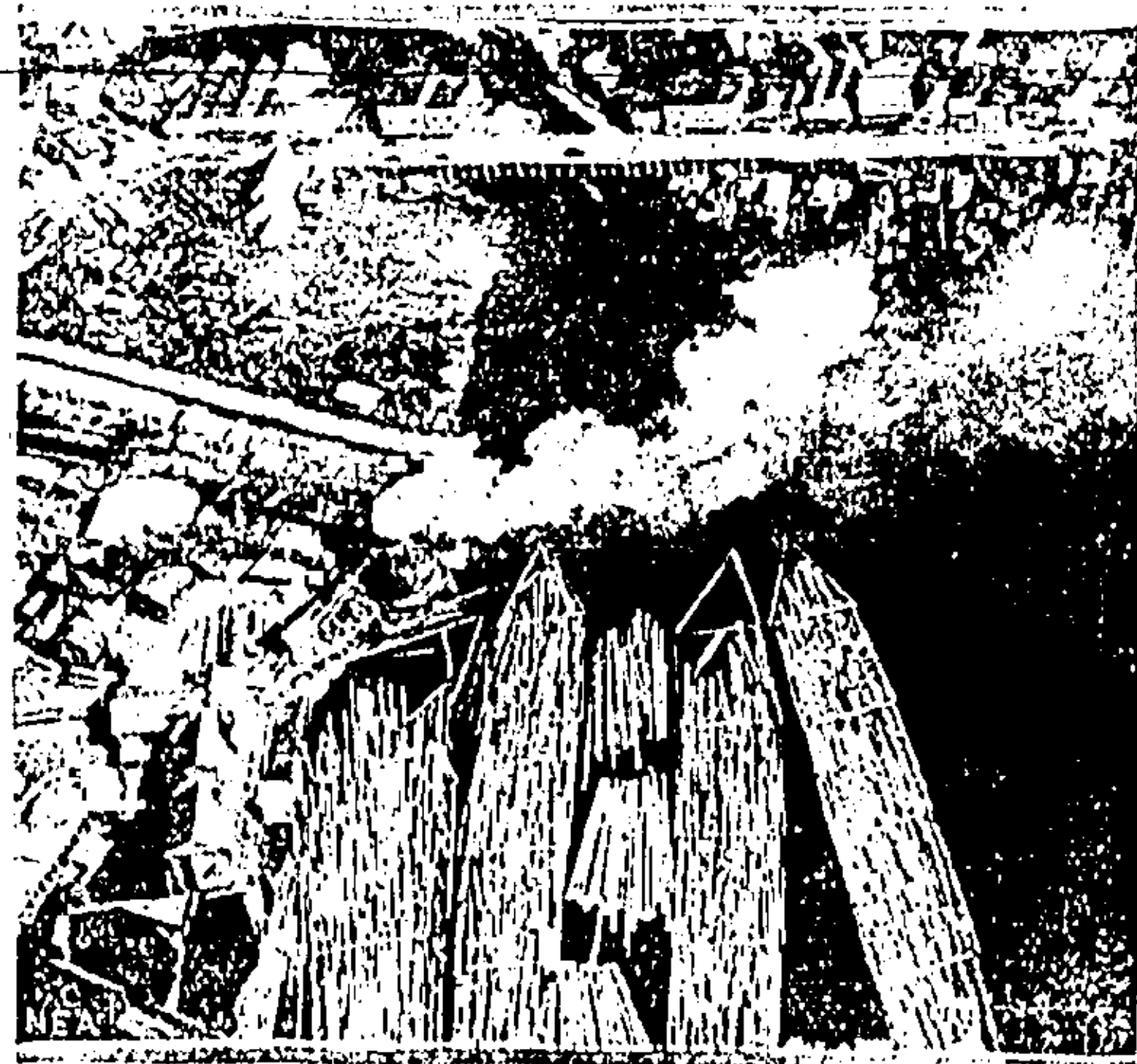




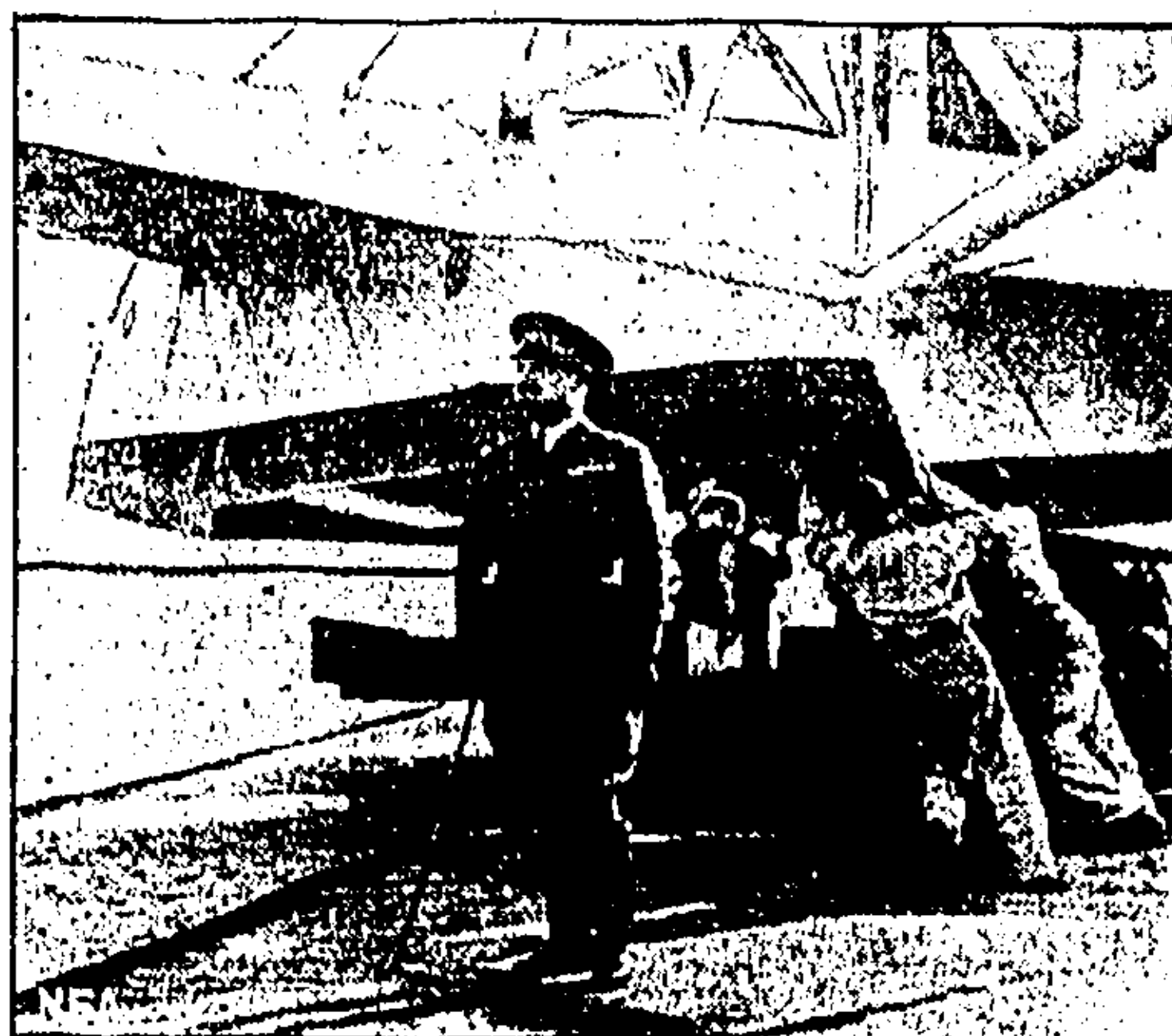
Prof. Albert Einstein, pictured at Havana, autographing a book for an official. An American has sued him for stealing a theory.



The last photo ever taken of Mrs. Beryl Hart, who lost her life in attempting to fly the Atlantic. Taken in Bermuda, the trophy she is carrying was awarded to the first woman flier to land in Bermuda.



An aerial view of Thomas Basin in Alaska, where the American Government is constructing a giant breakwater to protect the fishing fleet.

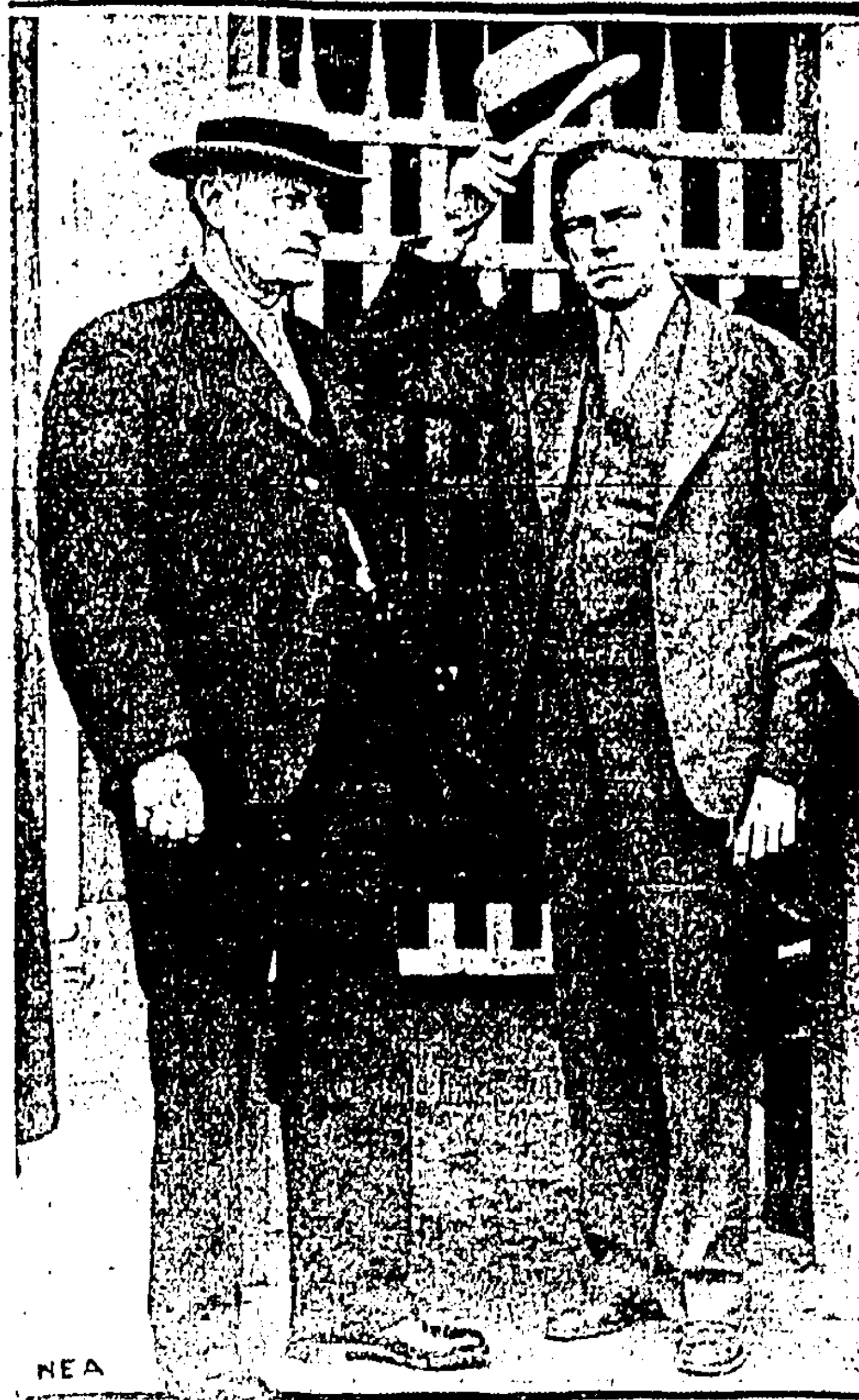


General Balbo posing while the plane in which he crossed the Atlantic was put into the water.

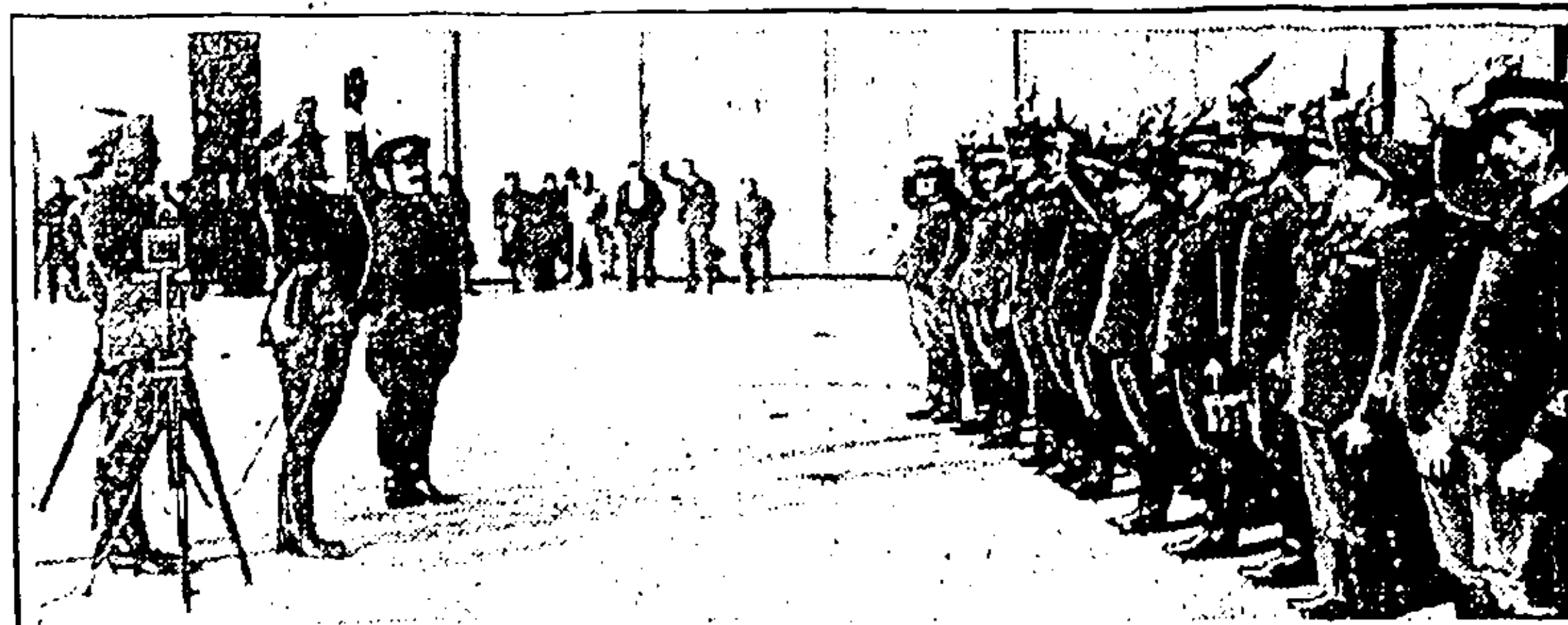
Famed Author in Desert Garden



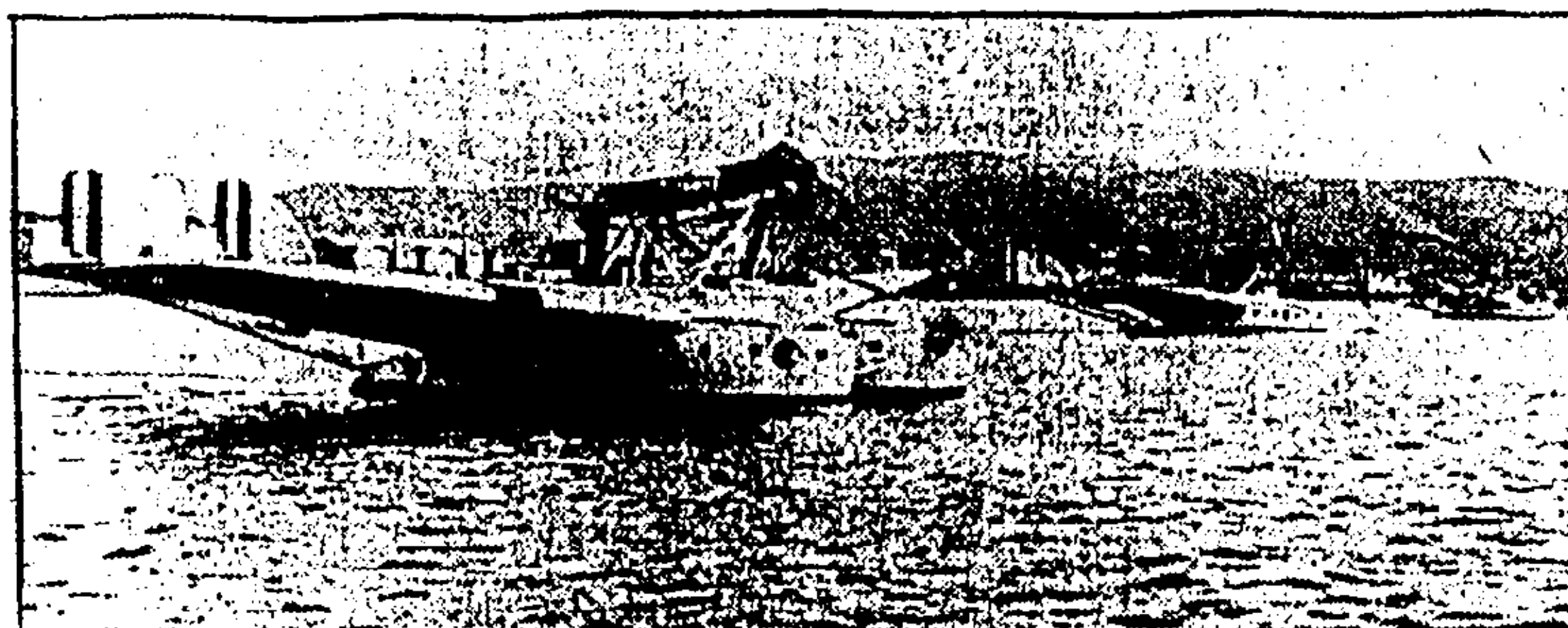
Here is a new and hitherto unpublished photograph of Harold Bell Wright, famous novelist. It was taken in the writer's ranch-home near Tucson, Ariz., a garden spot in the heart of the desert, and shows him standing beside several plants of the tree cactus.



Our photo shows G. H. Bosenyor, giving himself up after misappropriating \$8,000,000 of a Hollywood concern. He was sentenced to from 10 to 100 years' imprisonment.



Top photo shows the pilots of the Italian air squadron saluting their commander before making their historic flight across the Atlantic. Below they are seen going over charts with Gen. Balbo, the Italian Air Minister.



Some of the Italian air squadron are shown above, their motors running, preparatory to taking off from Bolama to Porto Natal, Brazil.



Mr. A. V. Harvey, of the Hongkong Flying Club, whose engagement was announced on Monday.



Mr. A. M. Parker, General Agent in Shanghai for the C. P. R. who has just reassumed his post.



Major F. A. R. Loitao, the superintendent of musketry in the Shanghai V. C. recently promoted.

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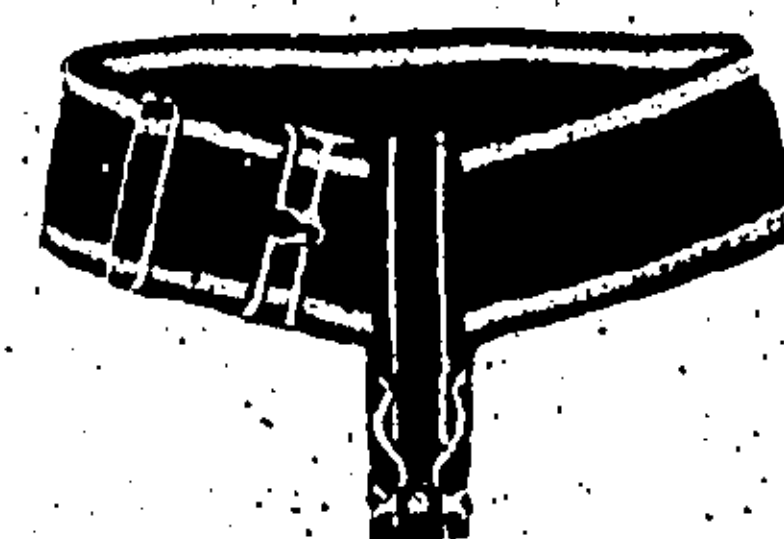
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Dated this 16th day of February,
1931.

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CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child.

Anyone knowing of a child who
has been assaulted, neglected or
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injury to health, or knowing of
a parent who is seeking advice
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Society.

The Informant's name will be
kept strictly private, except in
cases where malice is proved.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the
Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the
Shareholders in this Corporation
will be held at City Hall, Hong-
kong, on Saturday, the 28th
February 1931, at 11.30 a.m. for
the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Board of Directors
together with a Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ending 31st
December, 1930.

The Register of Shares of the
Corporation will be closed from
Monday, the 16th February, to
Saturday, the 28th February, 1931,
(both days inclusive), during
which period no transfer of shares
can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1931.

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THE HONGKONG
JOCKEY CLUB.ANNUAL RACE MEETING
1931.28TH FEBRUARY, 2ND, 3RD, 4TH
AND 7TH MARCH, 1931.

On Saturday, 28th February the
first race will be run at 1.30 p.m.,
and on all other days at 11.30 a.m.
On the first day the first bell will
be rung at 1 p.m. and on the
other four days at 11 a.m.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND
ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they
and their ladies must wear their
badges prominently displayed.
No one without a badge will be
admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members
to the Members' Enclosure and
Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day
including tax—or \$40.00 including
tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00
and \$20.00 respectively), are
obtainable through the Secretary
upon introduction by a Member,
such Member to be responsible for
all chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

On no pretext will children be
permitted in either enclosure
during the first four days of the
Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the
Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day
including tax for all persons,
including ladies, and is payable at
the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform
are admitted to the Public Enclo-
sure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, &c.
will not be permitted to operate
within the precincts of the Hong-
kong Jockey Club during the Race
Meeting.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be
issued on application to Messrs.
Linstead and Davis, Alexandra
Buildings.

Employers are requested to dis-
tribute them with discrimination
and to endorse their names on the
passes.

Servants are not permitted in
the Members' Enclosure except for
passing through on their duties,
but must remain in their em-
ployers' stands.

Any persons found loitering
with Servants' Passes in their
possession will forfeit the same
and will be removed from the
enclosure.

By Order.

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE &
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Notice is hereby given that the
Annual Ordinary General Meet-
ing of Shareholders will be held
at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong,
on Tuesday, the 24th February,
1931, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with a State-
ment of Accounts for the year
ended 31st December, 1930.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from
Monday, 16th February, to Tues-
day, 24th February, both days in-
clusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 9th February, 1931.

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Monday, February 23rd.

Shanghai v. United Services.

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W. E. HOLLANDS,

Hon. Secretary.

THE BANK OF CANTON,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an
Extraordinary General Meeting of
the Bank of Canton, Limited, will
be held at its Head Office at No. 6
Des Voeux Road Central on Satur-
day the Seventh day of March 1931
at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon or
so soon afterwards as the 20th
ordinary yearly meeting of the
said Company (which is being held
the same day at the same place at
12 o'clock noon) shall be con-
cluded, when the sub-joint Resolu-
tion will be proposed:—

That the Articles of Association
be altered in manner following:—

(a) By substituting in Article
94 for the figures "104" the
figures "105".

(b) By substituting in Article
131 for the word "Five" the
word "Nine" in the fourth
line thereof.

(c) By substituting in Article
131 for the words "6% out
of the annual net profits"
in the 9th and 10th lines
thereof the words "10% of
the balance of the annual
net profits after providing
a sufficient amount for pay-
ment of a dividend at the
rate of 6% on the paid-up
capital of the Company
for the time being."

Should the above mentioned
Resolution be passed by the
 requisite majority, it will
be submitted for confirma-
tion as a Special Resolution to a
further Extraordinary General
Meeting and such meeting will be
held on Thursday the 26th day of
March 1931 at the same time and
place for the purpose of consider-
ing and, if thought fit confirming
such Resolution as a Special Re-
solution accordingly.

By Order

LOOK POONG SHAN,

Chief Manager.

Dated 9th day of February 1931

Bank of Canton Building

Victoria, Hong Kong

Notice is hereby given that the
Twentieth Ordinary Annual Gen-
eral Meeting of Shareholders of
the Company will be held at the
Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux
Road Central, Hongkong, on Satur-
day, the 7th March, 1931, at 12
o'clock noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the
Directors together with a State-
ment of Accounts for the year end-
ing 31st December, 1930.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from the 24th
February, 1931, to the 7th March,
1931, (both days inclusive), dur-
ing which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,

LOOK POONG SHAN,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1931.

THE HONG KONG, CANTON &
MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The ONE HUNDRED AND
ELEVENTH ORDINARY MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in
the Company will be held
at the Office of the Com-
pany, 1, Queen's Building, Vic-
toria, Hongkong, on Thursday,
5th March, 1931, at 11 a.m., for the
purpose of receiving a Report of
the Directors, together with a
Statement of Accounts and Elect-
ing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from Friday,
20th February, 1931, to Thursday,
5th March, 1931, both days in-
clusive, during which period NO
transfer of shares can be regis-
tered.

By order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1931.

SUICIDE OF ARAB
COUSINS."LIFE IS EASY TO
PUT OUT."

London, Jan. 5.

The inquest on two Arabs,
Zainulabdin Alsagoff, aged 33, an
Oriental merchant, and his cou-
sin, Mohammed Alsagoff, aged 42,
who were found dead in a gas-
filled kitchen of a house at Gold-
ers Green, was held at Hennon
and a verdict of suicide while of
unsound mind was returned in
each case.

Mohammed was on a visit from
Singapore.

Mrs. Winifred Marjory Alsagoff,
the young English wife of Zainu-
labdin Alsagoff, said that business
had been very bad, and her hus-
band and his cousin were doing
badly and were very much de-
pressed.

On Wednesday night they cele-
brated the New Year, and at the
end of the evening, Mohammed
was under the influence of drink.
He was merry at the beginning of
the evening. Then he would seem
depressed, and then get merry
again.

Her husband, she added, was
under the influence of his cousin.
Miss Florence Pooley said that
she stayed with the Alsagoffs on
Wednesday night, and she noticed
that they were depressed. Zainu-
labdin took a lighted cigarette in
his hand, remarking, "Life is as
easy to put out as this cigarette."
He crushed the cigarette, and with
regard to the ashes said, "That
will be me to-morrow."



Even when knighthood was
in flower there were plenty of
ruif necks.

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from digestive pain and discom-
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on

Thursday
Feb. 19th.

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phic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.
Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Japan	Kitano Maru	February 18.
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung	February 18.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia		
(London 20th Jan.)	Peleus	February 19.
Japan and Shanghai	Yasukuni Maru	February 20.
Europe via Negapntam (Letters and papers London 22nd Jan.)	Fushimi Maru	February 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai (San Francisco Jan. 23)	Fushimi Maru	February 21.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. 31st January)	Pres. Monroe	February 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai (San Francisco 30th January)	Emp. of Russia	February 23.
	Pres. Lincoln	February 23.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia	Taiyo Maru	Thurs., Feb. 19. Registration8.15 a.m. Letters8.50 a.m. (Due San Francisco, 16th March.)
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Kitano Maru	Thurs., Feb. 19. Registration8.45 a.m. Letters9.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 4th March.)
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	Thurs., Feb. 19, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Feb. 19, 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri., Feb. 20, 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Yasukuni Maru	Fri., Feb. 20. K.P.O. Registration4.30 p.m. Letters4.30 p.m. G.P.O. Registration5 p.m. Letters5 p.m. (Due Marseilles 19th March.)
Japan and *Victoria B.C.	Proteslaus	Sat., Feb. 21, 10.30 a.m. (Due Victoria B.C. 17th March.)
Sandakan	Hinsang	Sat., Feb. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Fushimi Maru	Sat., Feb. 21, 3.30 p.m.
*Swatow and Foochow	Cheong Shing	Sat., Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Heonan Maru	Sun., Feb. 22, 9 a.m.
Manila	Empress of Russia	Mon., Feb. 23, 3.30 p.m.
*Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *Canada, *Central and *South America and *Europe via San Francisco	Pres. Grant	Mon., Feb. 23. Parcels3 p.m. Registration4.15 p.m. Letters5 p.m. (Due Victoria B.C. 16th March.)
*Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C.	Heinan Maru	Mon., Feb. 23. Registration4.15 p.m. Letters5 p.m. (Due Victoria B.C. 16th March.)
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Pres. Grant	Mon., Feb. 23. Registration5 p.m. Letters6 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Tues., Feb. 24, 1.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Kalnan	Wed., Feb. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiangchow	Thurs., Feb. 26, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hui Ning	Fri., Feb. 27, 2 p.m.

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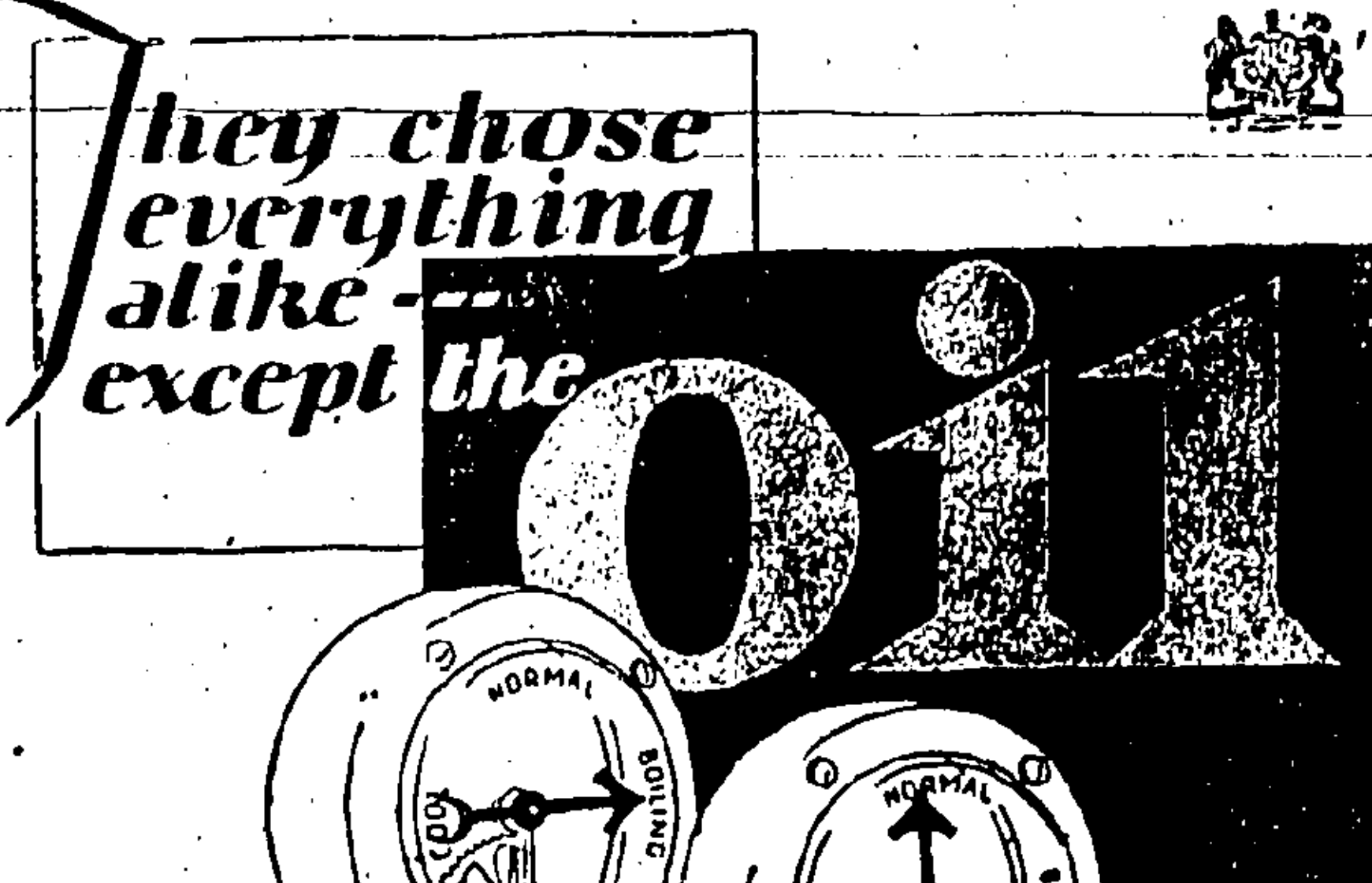
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DANCE PROGRAMME FOR TO-NIGHT.

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5-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
8-9.30 p.m. Chinese Children's Programme.

Dance Programme.

7-11.30 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

7-8 p.m. Variety.
Novelty Orchestra—Tosco Mio, The London Novelty Orchestra. 130.
Amina (Egyptian Serenade).
The London Novelty Orchestra. 130.
Songs—Ella Retford's Medley. 205.
Ella Retford Comedienne.
Banjo Solo—Swanee River Medley. Len Filla. 270.
Chorus—Daisy Bell, Gerald Adams and The Variety Singers. 143.
Chorus—Break The News To Mother, Gerald Adams and The Variety Singers. 143.
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THE COTTON DISPUTE.

LANCASHIRE MILLS RESUME YESTERDAY.

London, Feb. 16.

The Lancashire cotton mills re-start to-day with well-founded hopes of a trade revival. According to the Daily Herald, from Manchester the flow of orders from India is to be resumed. This is directly due to the success of the Round Table Conference.—Reuter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Traffic Officers.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir—The Press is the best medium through which public nuisances are remedied and I hope you will kindly grant me a little space in your valued paper to call the attention of the authorities to that-be to the inefficient and half-hearted way traffic is regulated in some parts of the colony.

A few days ago an article appeared in the S. M. Post stating that a traffic policeman was reading a book while on duty and that his neglect in attending to his duty nearly caused a serious accident. This is not an outstanding case. Many of the Traffic Officers seem to be more interested in chatting with friends, looking at pretty girls or reading books—learning English, perhaps—while on duty.

On one occasion, I had to wait about two minutes (sounding my horn all that time) to attract the attention of one of these traffic men. Had I proceeded without his "all clear" signal I would certainly have been prosecuted for driving "dangerously" or for some other silly complaint.

Another comment I have to make on this matter is the incorrect way the signals are sometimes given. Instead of lifting their hands or batons in a proper manner, some traffic officers merely wave their hands, thus causing much confusion and misunderstanding, with the result that hundreds of motorists are pestered with Court proceedings for violating Traffic Regulations. In commenting on this subject it may not be out of place to point out that many of the unfortunates who are prosecuted prefer to plead guilty and pay a small fine than to defend their case to avoid more trouble or a bigger fine.

My object in writing this is not to criticize the Police Force but to call the attention to the unsatisfactory work of some of its members and to make motoring in the Colony free from such nuisances as I have truthfully described.

Thanking you for publishing this.

A MOTORIST.

WOMEN'S BALLOT BANNED.

TO HELP HOSPITALS.

An attempt by a number of London women to organise a ballot competition on the Derby to raise money for English hospitals has been vetoed by the Charity Commissioners.

The chief mover was Mrs. A. G. McCordqudale, who is also Barbara Cartland, the novelist. Not only was she ready to set apart one of the rooms in her house in Culross-street, Mayfair, as an office, but was prepared to guarantee the first £100 expenses. "It seems very hard," Mrs. McCordqudale said to a reporter. "I suppose all the money we should have been able to raise will go to Ireland. The Irish hospitals must be very wealthy as the result of the last sw-ep-stake."

Half for Hospitals. "People are tiring of the succession of big charity balls at two and three guineas a ticket. It is always the same people who attend, and it is not possible to go on relying on them."

"We had planned a competition in which competitors would place the Derby horses. Tickets would have been 5s., and we estimated that half would go to the hospitals and half in prizes and expenses."

"Lord Knutsford was in favour of the scheme, but he suggested that I should consult the Charity Commissioners. From them I learned that the scheme was illegal. Therefore it has been abandoned. I had over £1,000 contributed toward the fund."

CINEMA NOTES.

"THE BIG POND" DRAWS CROWDED HOUSES.

There were crowded houses at the Central Theatre yesterday to witness the first screenings of "The Big Pond," starring Maurice Chevalier and Claudette Colbert. This is a film which we can thoroughly endorse as being one of the brightest and most entertaining ever shown in the Colony. It is a comedy romance, full of life and sparkle from start to finish, splendidly produced, with a most happily-chosen cast. Best of all, there is a welcome departure from the usual type of film, a relief from the back-stage type and the eternal triangle—in short, a bright, snappy picture, with plenty of wholesome wit and humour, and a romantic plot which rivets attention to the last reel. Without divulging the story, it will be sufficient to say that Maurice Chevalier has the role of a young Frenchman who, through family misfortunes, takes up the calling of a guide in Venice, where he falls in love with a pretty American tourist, whose father, regarding him as a money-hunter, plots his downfall by inducing him to go to America, where he is pitchforked into the old man's chewing-gum factory. How he makes good and wins the father over to his side is told in a most amusing series of incidents. It will be realised that Maurice Chevalier has a part which suits him to the ground as the young Frenchman. Needless to say, he extracts the last ounce out of it. He is seen and heard at his very best and adds to his success by some new song hits. Opposite him plays Claudette Colbert, who combines beauty with talent, whilst the remainder of the cast is extremely well-chosen, especially George Barbier as the chewing-gum king. No-one who likes comedy, entertaining film should miss "The Big Pond."

World Midget in "Good News."

The smallest actor in the world goes "collegiate" in one of the hilarious dancing scenes of "Good News." Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's all-time adaptation of the well-known Broadway stage hit, now playing at the Queen's Theatre.

He is Harry Earles, thinnest midget, who hides in a waste paper basket during a rendition of the "Varsity Drag" number but scrambles out to join in the general stamping.

Earles is one of the star attractions in the Ringling Bros. Circus, appearing in film during off seasons. He played the part of the midget crook in both the silent and more recent talkie version of Lon Chaney's "The Unholy Three."

The "Varsity Drag" number is one of the most spectacular of the many "hoopoe" scenes in the production. The scene starts quietly enough in a classroom with the student body industriously bent over their books. But when the professor leaves the room their industry shows itself in a different way. Chairs and desks are pushed back and with Dorothy Mc-Nulty leading the way the entire group go through a whirlwind maze of intricate steps to the music of Ab-lymen's Band.

Edgar MacGregor, who staged the original show, directed the screen version in association with Nick Grindle, and between the two of them they made every effort to retain the spontaneity of the stage work. The original song hits have been included in the picturization and a number of new ones have been added.

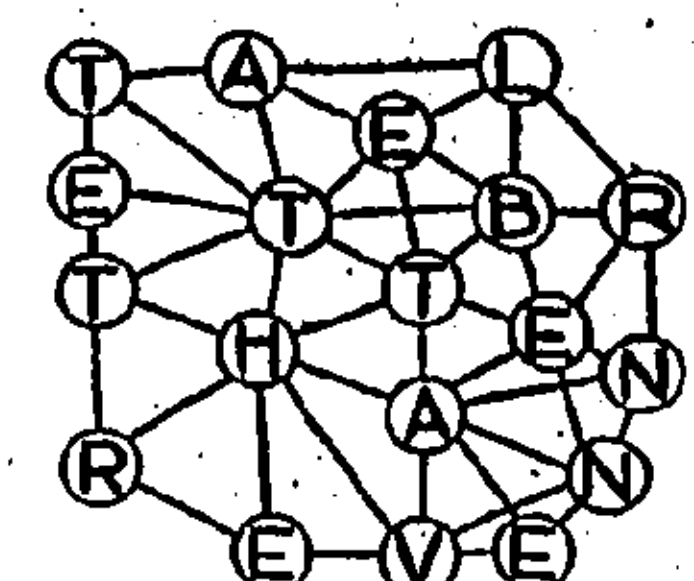
The cast, headed by Bessie Love, includes Mary Lawlor, Stanley Smith, Gus Shy, Lola Lane, Cliff Edwards, Tom Jackson, Billy Taft and Frank McGlynn. Also participating in the picture are members of the University of Southern California football squad who stage the realistic football sequence used as the climax of the plot.

William Haines in "Way Out West."

What with William Haines in spurs and a cowboy sombrero, the attractive Leila Hyams and such fun-makers as Polly Moran and Cliff Edwards—patrons of the Queen's Theatre have a treat in store when "Way Out West" opens to-morrow for a three day showing.

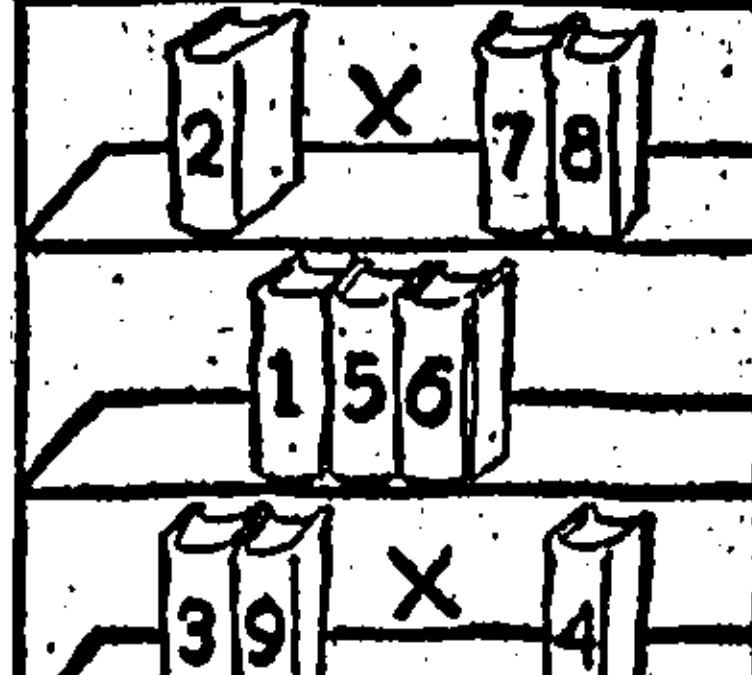
Haines, who in his varied screen career has had to learn everything from playing polo to rubbing-docks in a Uncle Sam's sailors, was required to master two new tricks for his latest comedy. First he had to learn how to operate a phony roulette wheel for the opening scenes of the comedy, laid in a travelling carnival atmosphere, and secondly he was taught the rudiments of herding cattle and riding bucking bronchos, these stunts playing an important

STICKERS



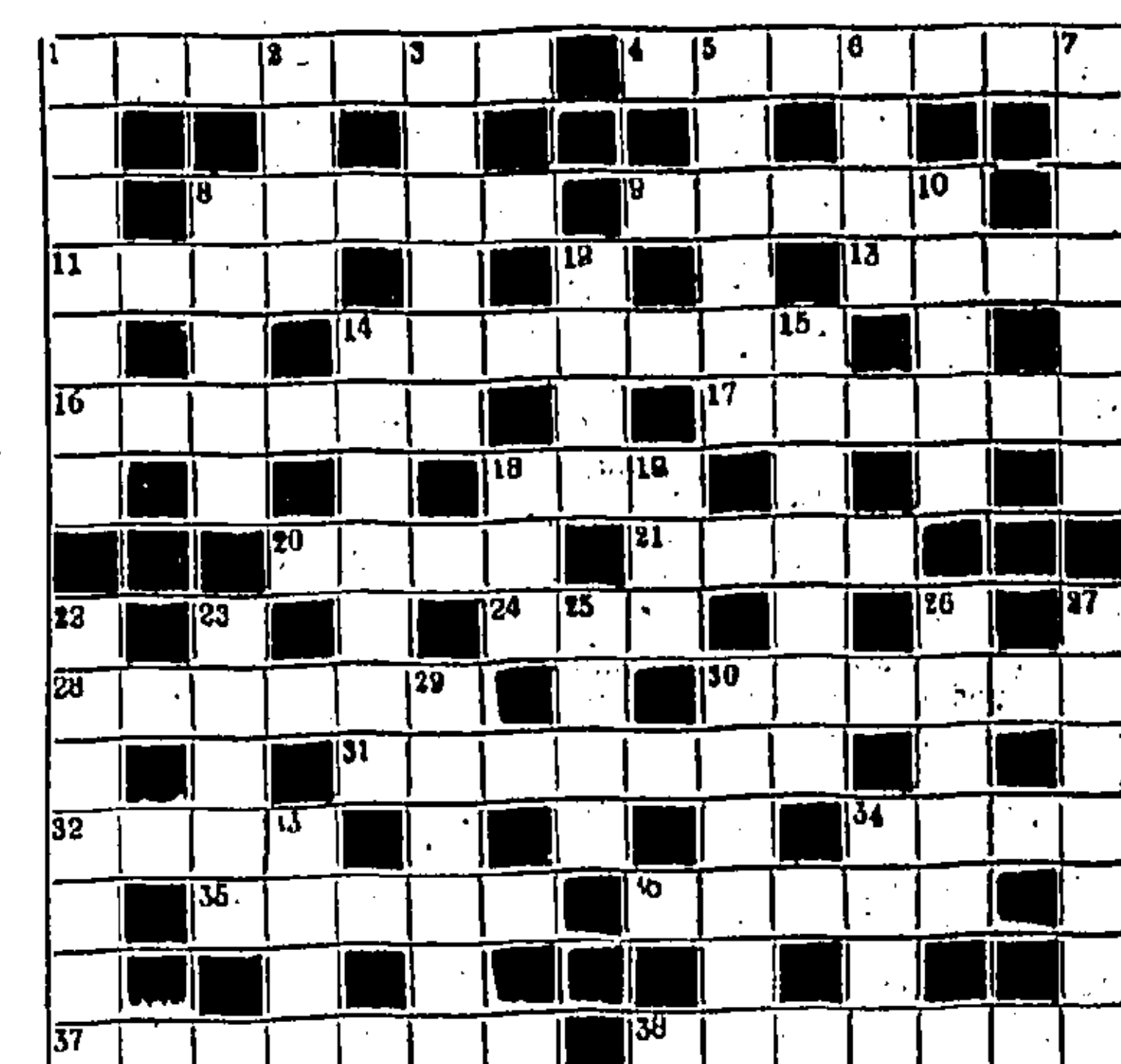
Start at one of the letters in the above diagram and follow along a straight line to another letter. Continue thus until every letter has been touched but once. The correct start and route will uncover a four-word maxim. It is not necessary to pass over every line.

Monday's Solution.



Here is one way to arrange books, numbered from 1 to 9, in such a way that the numbers on the top row and the numbers on the second row both multiply to equal the number in the middle row.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



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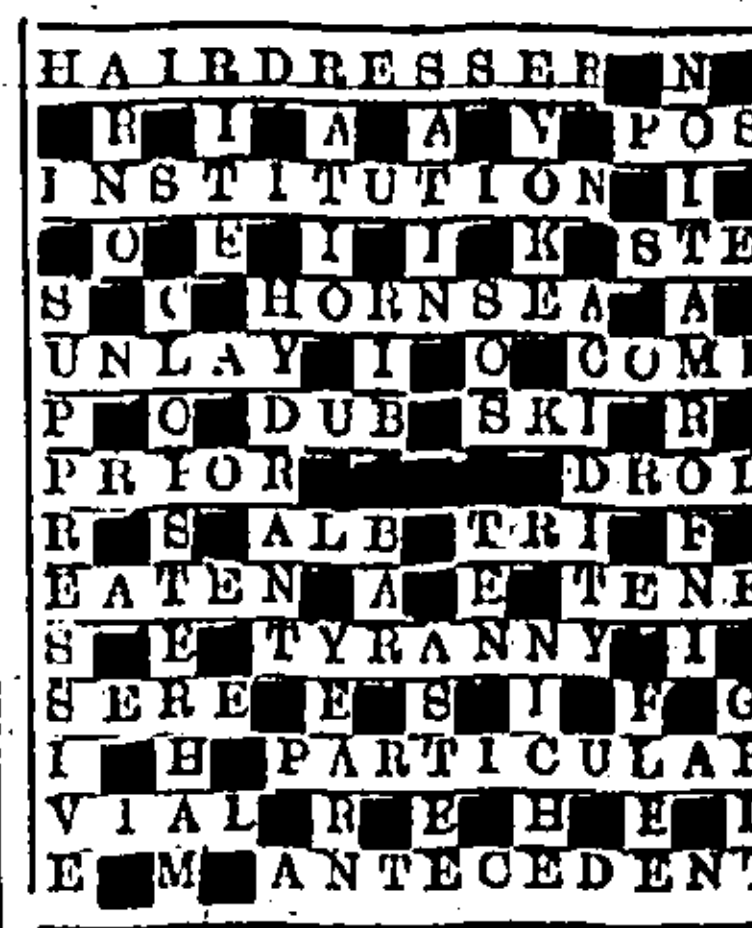
- 1 A quality typified by the velvet glove.
- 4 Structural.
- 8 A state of mind that goes with a gout.
- 9 Here a wager—in Roman coin—incites.
- 10 Distinctly piggyish.
- 11 Must open two odd ones (hidden).
- 14 Here a fish is in hiding.
- 16 Excessive amazement.
- 17 "The — hallowes all it holds, what for the liquid be" Holmes. On lending a Punch Bowl.
- 18 Given a car, he can convey acids.
- 20 What part of a steeples sounds proud?
- 21 Flows back.
- 24 Reverse an ivy bush to make a little mark.
- 28 In a legal transaction, in fact.
- 30 Picks up ethereal music—and prosy talks.
- 31 Followed by 22 down, a famous living writer.
- 32 Lie fairly.
- 34 Speech without thought.
- 36 A genus of Mexican plants cultivated for their singularity and splendour of appearance.
- 37 This blow or cut may be given with its tail.
- 38 There are three of this official newspaper published in the U.K. It has a fixed look.

Down

- 1 To be this is the aim of most women.
- 2 Turn a plunge into contended.
- 3 Restrain within certain limits by means of an anaesthetic.
- 5 Dressing.
- 6 Used in the making of tarts.
- 7 "Cut poem" (anag.).

- 8 This fish ends in confusion.
- 10 One in a theatre is of no use to a catermonger.
- 12 There are several to gather early (hidden).
- 14 Anyone who makes a journey in a ship.
- 15 What the turkey did—before Christmas.
- 18 Something in which a man, a flower, or a stream may be seen.
- 19 At the same time.
- 22 See 31 across.
- 23 One side of a street is usually numbered in this strange manner.
- 25 Cameos are made from this.
- 26 "What will you do with it, that you have been so earnest to have me — it?"—Othello.
- 27 Qualified.
- 29 This is sweet, and something very like it can be seen on many a tennis court.
- 30 Bracelet.
- 33 An old musical instrument.
- 34 Old Testament character.

Monday's Solution.



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ANNOUNCEMENT.

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MacLeod. The engagement is an-
nounced between Arthur Vere
Harvey, Reserve of Air Force Officers,
elder son of Mr. A. W. Harvey and
Mrs. Harvey, Kessingland, Suffolk,
and Audrey, only daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Norman P. MacLeod,
'Ardeyann', Kelvinside, Glasgow,
Scotland. (Copy from London papers
20th January, 1931.)The
Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, 1931.

THE VOICE OF THE
PEOPLE.

Little, if any, surprise will be felt at the news coming through from Spain. It has long been apparent that events in that country were moving towards a curtailment of the power of King Alfonso, whose conception of a monarch's role has not accorded with that of the majority of the people. The suspicion has prevailed for many years that the King himself has been behind the Dictators who have been nominally in charge of the nation's affairs. That feeling was widespread during the regime of Primo de Rivera, and it has become intensified since the reins were taken over by General Berenguer. Indeed, Alfonso has been regarded as the most absolute ruler Europe has seen for many years. Until quite recently, it has been found possible to keep a firm hand on liberal opinion, but all the time the forces of democracy have been at work until now the King looks like being compelled to give way to progressive sentiment if he wishes to save his Throne.

Not once but many times within the past few years Spain has been on the verge of revolution, a fact which has caused the Royal House much concern. One writer, commenting on the situation towards the end of last year, remarked that the King is no longer the smiling monarch that he used to be; that he has aged greatly under the stress of recent events. Instead of dashing about Europe, he was said to be more like a prisoner in his own castle in Madrid, almost afraid to leave the capital in case he should find or his return that a President had been installed in his place. Time was when his countrymen liked to know that their ruler was as popular abroad as he was at home. Then, the King had no cause to worry over politics, for the country ran itself peacefully except for an occasional outburst of Catalonian rage. But events took

on a new complexion after Spain's disastrous campaign in the Rif, when precious blood and money were poured into the arid sands of Africa. Other difficulties, political and economic, swamped the country, followed by growing resentment against the King's methods of ruling. Lately, Alfonso has been in constant touch with the man who was said to stand between him and the Republic, General Berenguer, a man who has buoyed up his royal master's hopes by painting the optimistic side of the situation, laying special stress on the point that not everyone wants a Republic. That, of course, is true, and the latest developments would appear to indicate that the Spanish people are quite content to live under a monarchy, provided it is of the constitutional order, strictly limited in its powers.

There are grounds for thinking that Alfonso will yield to the force of public opinion and place the direction of the country's affairs in the hands of men of liberal outlook, men who have no desire to foment a revolution or to overthrow the Royal House, but who do intend that the voice of the people shall be heard. The days of autocratic rule, whether in Spain or elsewhere, are numbered. Dictatorships or absolute monarchies are contrary to the spirit of the times. They must make way for healthier forms of governance. This is the meaning of the developments occurring in Spain. If King Alfonso is wise in his day and generation, he will submit to the inevitable.

A Socialist Marquis.

The remarkable letter addressed by Mr. George Lansbury to a London newspaper, and re-printed last week, has, thanks to an equally remarkable reply by Lord Brentford, aroused immense interest in England. The lively controversy aroused has produced some very thoughtful comments upon the cause of the industrial depression, and some revolutionary suggestions for its remedy. One of the most thought-provoking comes from the Marquis of Tavistock, heir to an estate reputed to be worth £10,000,000, a washer of dishes in a Y.M.C.A. hut during the war, and now, one might judge, an out-and-out Socialist, using the term in its strictest sense. The Marquis declared it to be a distressing proof of the blindness of the politicians of all parties to the economic facts that Mr. Lansbury and Lord Brentford, whatever their differences in other directions, should agree in upholding the once excellent but now futile maxim: "If a man will not work, neither shall he eat." We are no longer, he says, living in a pre-industrial age when production and productivity were alike strictly limited. The effect of civilisation is to move the world steadily towards a reduction of the necessity for labour. However desirable it might be on moral and spiritual grounds that every person should be engaged in some kind of creative activity, the world has reached the stage when the satisfaction of all the material needs of the human race no longer requires and cannot utilise even the moderate and reasonable labour of every able-bodied adult. The time has come to break away from the idea that a citizen is only entitled to an income if he can draw wages or a salary from the productive side of industry. We need a system of national dividends, whereby every citizen, rich or poor, in work or out of work, receives an equal sum of money, the amount being based on the country's production and productivity. Then, at last, there would be some chance of people being able to buy all that they require that industry can produce and the present strangling knot would be cut. Unemployed persons, instead of being a burden to the community and a misery to themselves would at least be able to live in comfort and support those still in work by being customers for their goods. It would always pay a man to get a job if he could, as wages would be in addition to national dividend, while, if too many became lazy and content to exist on a minimum, production would decline and the national divi-

DAY BY DAY

HAVIN' A GOOD TIME AIN'T A MATTER OF AGE. IT'S A MATTER OF BEIN' WILLIN' TO HAVE A GOOD TIME.—Anne Warner.

The next European Y.M.C.A. dance is to be held on Thursday. Music will be provided by the Unique Orchestra.

An unknown Chinese boy, aged about eight years, died while being removed to Hospital yesterday as the result of being knocked down by a tramcar in Des Voeux Road Central.

A shroff employed by the Garden Banking Company, a Chinese concern, is alleged to have disappeared from his post coincident with the discovery of the loss of nearly \$4,000 from the coffers of the Bank.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Thomas Koooy, who is described as a U.S.A. world pensioner, No. 54, Sai Kung Road, Kowloon City, to Miss Della Wong, No. 6, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City.

A boarding-house runner, named Poon Sui, was stabbed during an altercation with two other Chinese on board the s.s. Sulsang, at the Kowloon Godown Wharves, yesterday. He was conveyed to hospital in a serious condition.

The Members of the H.K.S. Brigade R.A. (British Staff) Sergeants, Mess, Kowloon, are holding a series of whist drives and socials, on the 1st and 3rd Friday in each month, commencing at 8.30 p.m. sharp. All friends are cordially invited. The series commences on February 20.

Mail has been received at the American Consulate General for the following persons:—C. W. Armstrong, W. R. Attaway, C. L. Boender, L. Bruce, Wm. M. Collier, P. Dry, Mrs. L. Garland, E. P. M. von Gebren, T. H. Haskell, A. W. Hogan, Mrs. S. E. Johnson, G. H. Koster, A. H. Martin, A. M. Martin, L. D. M. Matt, J. A. McGee, I. C. Moller, C. B. Olivarius, M. Openshaw, F. N. Shumaker, Wardley.

RIVER STEAMER
REFLOATED.KWONGSAI BACK IN
HONGKONG.

As was expected, the river steamer Kwong sai, which ground on Pratt Rocks early on Monday morning on her way from Hongkong to Canton, was refloated the same evening at high tide and has returned to the Colony. She came down the river yesterday morning under her own steam and entered the harbour at about 10 a.m. She is now in Kowloon Docks.

The Kwong sai was carrying from 700 to 1,000 passengers at the time of the mishap, which, in which now revealed, occurred at about 2 a.m. The s.s. Shing Cheung, running between Maao and Canton, stood by, and to this ship the Kwong sai's passengers were transferred and taken to Canton.

dend decreasing with it, the idle, in self-preservation, would be compelled to return to work in such numbers as were needed. The only thing wrong with the suggestion is that no country has yet prepared itself for the creation of Utopia.

THE TRUTH ABOUT
ABERDEEN.

By George Malcolm Thomson.

I SUPPOSE there is no spectacle so distasteful to the right-minded Scot as that of one of his fellow-countrymen telling the truth about anything Scottish. For, of course, the average Caldonian is compassed about by an invisible army of useful legends which have either been astutely invented by himself or unselfishly provided by others.

There is, for example, that amiable fiction which ascribes to the Scot a degree of shrewdness in business which no mere Sassenach can hope to emulate. How many simple fellow from the North of the Tweed have been permitted to get the better of men with ten times their cunning through the moral influence of that powerful bluff!

And, when it comes to telling the truth about Aberdeen... This is treason of a darker hue. It is like minimising the size of the English Army at Bannockburn; it is like criticising "The Cotter's Saturday Night" at a Burns Dinner; it is like refusing to drink to that modest national toast, "Here's aae us; wha's like us!" For Aberdeen is the subject of a land of truly imposing dimensions.

That unfortunate and solitary Israelite who has sojourned for forty years in the Aberdeen wilderness, unable to make enough to pay his fare home again, those ships, deserted by experienced gulls, whose port of registry is Aberdeen, those flag-days illustrated in the postcards (postcards which are published in Dundee), when Aberdeen becomes as a city of the dead, those corpses of stubborn Aberdonians that are found beside machines which to great strength will return the penny... Here is, indeed, a legend!

Was it created by other Scots who felt they must pass on to someone the jokes of which they themselves were the victims? Or did the Aberdonians invent it, as a department of Mr. Ford's organisation used to concoct all the stories about Ford cars? We shall never know the truth of this, but what is important is that the legend of the Aberdonian who is a thrifter, shrewder, dourer, and stinger Scot is the purest nonsense. If you go to Aberdeen expecting to find the national idiosyncrasies of the Scot blooming in the finest perfection you will be mistaken.

Instead, you will find a spacious city, nobly planned, with buildings of a graceful severity, in which pride and good taste proclaim themselves. Here is none of the meanness and little of the squander characteristic of the other Scottish cities. Here is a municipality which has a real community spirit. Here are men who have made their city of granite, surely not the cheapest of materials.

The effect has been to make Aberdeen one of the most intensely individual cities in the world. Under the greyest skies it has an austere dignity that is most impressive; in sunshine,

especially after rain, it is a thing of dazzling and glorious whiteness which the Scot who comes from the dark-brown Lowland towns has difficulty in recognising as one of his own cities.

As for meanness, it is a fact that Aberdeen has the best-supported charities in Britain. Its hospitals are superb; the subscription lists for its good causes would make London gasp. Its church collections are a flat denial of half the smoke-room stories of the world.

Nor is this all. Municipally, the city is an example for foresight, imagination and genuine public spirit to the rest of Scotland. It is, among other things, a seaside resort of some eminence, with a fine beach well-equipped with all that is needed for popular holiday-making.

It has the best of the four Scots Universities in whose union you hear—or used to hear—speaking that would make Oxford green with envy. It has the Rowett Institute, that wonderful powerhouse of creative science. It has above all, a lingering tradition of good living that has deserted even Edinburgh. The best of the Eighteenth Century is still alive in Aberdeen, for all its brisk and confident modernity.

The truth about Aberdeen is that it is hardly Scots at all. It has never suffered too severely from the harsh repressions and grim Puritanism which conquered the rest of Scotland. Its motto is "Bon accord," and its philosophy has a flavour of healthy paganism. The city which excelled all others in the extravagance of its welcome to James IV's Tudor wife has preserved a taste for flourish and panoply which to the rest of the Scots appears an unprofitable vanity.

But then Aberdeen has never earned a hang which Scotland might think. When Scotland was Presbyterian, Aberdeen was (and to a considerable extent still is) Catholic and Episcopalian. It stood for monarchy and loyalty when all Scotland was solid for the Bible-thumping democrats. Traditionally, one of the two colleges of its University (a foundation which it owes to the Borgia Pope) was always a stronghold of Catholicism and Royallism.

In this city where, instead of the strong men struggling with a carefree, generous and racy life, and the only real capital city in Britain outside London—is this Aberdeen really Scottish at all? It is to be noted that Aberdonian dialect is the only genuine division of the Scottish tongue. When the Scot says "what," the Aberdonian says "fat," and, doing so, betrays the presence in himself of some distant racial strain less marked in his fellow-countryman.

Roughly, it may be said that the Aberdonian is a Pict and not a Scot. Anthropology has established the existence of a definite race-type in Aberdeen markedly different from the pattern of the Scot.

Subconsciously, the Aberdonian is aware of this. He will have no truck with the other Scottish cities, which he suspects of being inferior places. To London he may be willing to accord a grudging equality, but that is probably because he has been told that London is one of his satrapies.

If Scotland ever got Home Rule, Aberdeen would instantly demand autonomy for herself, and would be bought off with nothing less than the transfer to herself of the national capital. In the meantime, she contrives to be the most prosperous, the best-administered, the most intellectually vigorous, and the pleasantest of the Scottish cities.

I should even go and live there myself (can a Scot say more?) if I did not know that Aberdonians will never forgive me for betraying the truth about them.

Great Actors
from the East.

By Charles B. Cochran.

CONSIDERING the close ties of national friendship, diplomatic understanding and commercial interest which unite the English people with that other island folk of the East, it is surprising how little we have seen of the amazing virtuosity and variety of Japanese entertainers. Probably most folks' experience of Japanese theatrical art is confined to "Madame Butterfly," "The Mikado," "San Toy," and the oc-

(Continued on Page 7.)



"While other countries are working and paying off her debts, what are we doing?—playing golf!"

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STRENUOUS GAME.

[By "Wing Three"]

About 1,000 spectators, including H.E. the Governor (Sir William Peel) were present at the Club ground yesterday, when the opposition to the Shanghai Interport XV. was composed of a representative team from the United Services. It was expected that our Northern visitors would succeed in avenging their defeat at the hands of the Club XV last Saturday. This they just failed to do, though if they had taken advantage of several chances which they carelessly threw away, they might have managed to make the difference between a narrow defeat and a similar victory.

Both teams showed changes from the advertised lists. Shanghai were represented by Shaw; Walter, Chester-Master, Taylor, Payne; Wales, Neil; Silby, Austin, Johnston, Eager, Browning, Carter and Suythorn. The Services side was Frankham; Glass, Evans, Galletley, Douglas; Roberts, Charlesly; Nicholson, Trutt, Beamish, Sim, Vowles, Hubback, Deykin and Wilkinson.

Thus it will be seen that the two packs remained as chosen, and one change was made behind in each case, Jenkin (Shanghai) and Walter (Services) being replaced by Wales and Charlesly respectively. The result, 17 points to 11, in favour of the local side, was a pretty fair criterion of the game. No one would deny that the Services forwards were more steady in the tight and more impressive when play was open; and taking all-in-all, Neil was soundly beaten at scrum-half, so that his "threes" were scarcely to blame for their failure to cope with Galletley and his apparently faster back-division.

Wales Does Well.

A word of commendation for "Charles" Wales is thoroughly deserved. As regards speed he has fallen off this year quite a bit; but for running straight, and "honest guile", no one on the field was his equal, excepting, perhaps, Evans, who played up to form, which means quite a lot. In fact, Wales was, in many respects, the best "outside" on the field, and his score well out and subsequent lovely conversion, put the ball-mark on an excellent afternoon's work.

After ten minutes of unimpressive mid-field play, during which Wales was conspicuous for his touch-kicking when pressed, Shanghai scored through Taylor, who failed with the difficult kick. Shortly afterwards, Glass made a magnificent solo effort to touch down fairly well out, Nicholson failing to materialise.

Then Wales made an opening for a pass to Taylor, who dodged through the opposition with a 30-yards dash to score too far out for Wales to convert. At this stage there was nothing to choose between the two sides, and the next score by Evans was well-deserved, though, perhaps, as a piece of teamwork, not very impressive.

Neither side was tackling clean or low, and the referee missed quite a lot of minor infringements. Half-time arrived with the score 6 points all.

Douglas Scores.

Soon after the resumption, Carter was responsible for an excellent dribble, and Wilkinson, who was prominent all through the game, very nearly got over on his own. Then Douglas intercepted beautifully, and, outpacing the opposition, scored an excellent try, which Frankham failed to convert. Shaw's next piece of work, in which he gathered neatly and ran strongly for about 60 yards, was worthy of a better fate than befel it, for, after a splendid opening, Suythorn was too far up and a forward pass spoiled the move.

Play was soon transferred to the Shanghai "25", where it hung dangerously for a time, till Evans clinched the advantage with the best score of the game, almost under the posts. Trutt's kick rebounded from the near post.

At this stage play became rather strenuous, and barging and obstruction frequently took the place of tackling. Excitement became tense when Wales' goal brought the score to 12-11. Hubback was forced to retire for repairs, but his early return was signalled by a determined siege of the Shanghai line. In spite of repeated and determined getting down to the ball by the defence, at last three of the Services shared the honour of the final score of the match, by a concerted dive at the ball, thus getting the touch which Payne might have had but for an adverse bounce, which magnificent kick by Trutt, which

SHIPPING SLUMP EFFECT.

HOW THE BRITISH BUDGET SUFFERS.

HUGE IDLE TONNAGE.

London, Feb. 16. The "universal catastrophic" falls in freights is brought out in the report prepared for the annual meeting of the Chamber of Shipping, which is to be held on Thursday.

The report shows that throughout 1930, tramp freights fell below the pre-war rates. The effect of this on the British financial situation was that whereas shipping in 1929 contributed £130,000,000 to the National Budget, the corresponding figure for last year was no higher than £100,000,000.

The increase in the tonnage of motor ships over steam was nearly ten to one, namely 1,458,000 tons against 148,000, which in turn contributed to a big decrease in coal exports.

The tonnage idle throughout the world was nearly quadrupled during the year and now totals between 7,000,000 and 8,000,000 tons, of which 2,500,000 tons are British.—*Reuter*.

PRETTY WEDDING YESTERDAY.

MR. W. E. ALLEN AND MISS E. F. COLESWORTHY.

A pretty wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, when Miss Ellen Florence Colesworthy, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Colesworthy, of Hongkong, became the bride of Mr. William E. Allen, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Allen, of Plaistow, London.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a gown of white crepe satin and silk lace, of ample length, with coronet of orange blossom and embroidered veil. She carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums, roses and maiden-hair fern.

The bridesmaids were Misses Rosalie Gill, Ivy Brace, Nora Gibson and Vera Bishop, who respectively wore ankle-length dresses of pale pink, blue, mauve and lemon georgette, their head-dresses being of silver lace, with silver shoes to match. Their bouquets were of sweet peas and maiden-hair fern. Master Douglas Mitchell attended as page-boy, in a black and white velvet suit.

The bride's mother wore a dress of beige georgette and silk lace, with hat and shoes to match. Mr. A. W. T. White was the "best man." Mr. C. Dawson was the usher.

Dean Swann officiated, whilst Mr. Frederick Mason was at the organ. Subsequently, about a hundred guests assembled at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden, where the reception was held, and later the couple left for Repulse Bay, the bride wearing a green tulle crepe dress, green speckled coat trimmed with grey fur, with green hat and beige court shoes.

The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a ruby pendant with gold chain and to the bridesmaids gold rings, whilst the bridegroom received from the bride a pair of gold cuff links.

went over after touching the cross-bar, finished a close and strenuous tussle.

Keen Contest.

The game was not so open as the Interport, but what it lacked in open and exciting play, it made up for in the extreme closeness of the scoring. At no time was either side likely to make the game decisively its own.

Between the two backs there was nothing to choose. Frankham had perhaps less to do, but kicked clean every time. Shaw's ability both in attack and defence was demonstrated in no uncertain fashion. Neil was quite off his game and showed no initiative in marking his opposite number. Many of his "passes out" were so in name only, and Wales did extremely well under the circumstances.

Both "eights" played well, and they were very well matched. For Shanghai, Austin was always on the ball, and shone right through the game. Howell and Carter also caught the eye on various occasions, as also did Suythorn, who was "winging" more than was justifiable or remunerative.

Doykin was the best of the Services pack, though a bit more muscular than scientific. Wilkinson and Nicholson did their respective jobs well, and were frequently outstanding. The "hookers", Trutt and Austin, were top well matched for the ball to come out cleanly on either side. The better team won, and Shanghai once again showed their willingness to fight back right to the end.

COMMONS DEBATE ON "DOLE."

FURTHER VOTE FOR FUND AGREED TO.

WHAT MACHINE DOES.

London, Feb. 16. In the House of Commons to-day, the Minister of Labour, Miss Margaret Bondfield, moved a resolution to authorise an increase of £20,000,000 in the borrowing powers of the Unemployment Insurance Fund.

Miss Bondfield reviewed the finances of the Fund and the causes of the increases in the number of unemployed, among which she mentioned the effect of rationalisation, instancing the introduction of one machine in cigarette-making which, with the attention of three workers, had a productive capacity equal to that of 700 hands.

Referring to the investigations of the Royal Commission which is to report on unemployment insurance and recommend how to restore the solvency of the Fund, Miss Bondfield said the Government must not hesitate to deal with any abuses which the Commission considered proved.

The Opposition moved an amendment to reduce the borrowing powers of the Fund to £10,000,000.

After a lengthy debate, the House approved the resolution. Under its terms, the borrowing powers of the Fund are increased from £70,000,000, which is almost exhausted, to £90,000,000.—*Reuter and British Wireless*.

GREAT ACTORS FROM THE EAST.

(Continued from Page 6.)

casual glimpses of Far Eastern tumblers and jugglers in a music-hall show.

The last are a better index of the quality of their native land than are the pseudo-Japaneseness of the operatics, which indeed are only superficially Oriental in their subject matter and not at all in their musical or theatrical form.

That is why I have arranged, during the International Season which I am presenting at the Globe Theatre this summer, in association with Mr. Maurice Browne, to bring one of the foremost troupes of artists from Dai Nippon to a London stage.

The entertainment which these players, headed by the famous Tokujiro Tansui and including a chorus and orchestra, present embraces in its various aspects of Japanese stage-art.

They will show both the realistic and the highly conventionalised types of their national acting. Their glorious costumes were to me a revelation in the beauty and craftsmanship of national dress, and their amazing athleticism is on a par with their extraordinarily comic character work.

It may not be generally known that just as the Greek and classic English drama arose from religious sources, so did the classic or *Noh* plays of Japan. Their tradition goes back nearly five hundred years. Originally under priestly and imperial patronage, groups of actors later adorned the courts of the great *feudal lords*. The life of the *Noh* player was one of great devotion to his calling. It demanded the maximum of physical fitness, intellectual refinement, and subjection to an elaborate code of forms and manners.

The actors formed a more or less hereditary caste, and Umewaka Minoru, who maintained the purity of the classic stage through the difficult days of political change in the sixties, boasts in a programme note to one of his productions that he was descended of a continuous line of classic actors who had served the stage for 450 years.

The popular and realistic theatre is of younger date, and does not enjoy anything like the artistic prestige of its noble counterpart. Like the theatre of the West (and it was born about the time when Shakespeare was founding our English national tradition) it has evolved scenery, realistic costume and properties, and deals with all sorts of subjects, grave, gay, historic, and fictional.

The visitors whom I am introducing to London will afford the playgoer not only a unique and arresting entertainment full of surprise, humour and artistry, but a genuine insight into the soul of Japan, ancient and modern. Tokujiro Tansui and his company, whose work has already captivated European audiences, will bring to us the powerfully emotional acting, the studied technical perfection of facial and bodily play, the almost brutal shamelessness, the ornate courtliness, the ferocious combats with sword and staff, the patterned beauty of dance, and the limpid sweetness of song from the Land of the Cherry Blossom.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

TWO-DAY MATCH ON THE HONGKONG C.C. GROUND.

AGAINST SERVICES.

Several friendly cricket matches were played yesterday, the most attractive being that on the Hongkong C.C. ground where the United Services were entertained to a two-day game. The civilians had the better of the opening day's play and at the close of their innings had 255 runs on the board.

Owen Hughes was the main scorer for the Hongkong C.C., playing the bowling with confidence and scoring all round the wicket. He took his individual score to 82 when he was caught off a full toss from Salmon. A Reid, J. D. A. Hutchinson and A. C. I. Bowker made valuable contributions to the score.

When the Services went to the wickets they met with early disaster by losing Cpl. Davies with only seven runs on the board. When the score had reached 24 Squadron Leader Bumphrey was sent back with 16 to his credit. Lieut. Munson and Lieut. Wolfe-Barry stayed for a while but after the latter was dismissed Beck took three wickets in one over, only to have 18 runs scored off him in a subsequent over. When the innings closed the United Services had scored 12 runs. Scores:

Hongkong C.C.—1st Innings.

T. E. Pearce, b Williams	14
G. R. Sayer, c and b Williams	0
O. E. C. Marton, st. Davies, b Bennett	6
E. B. Duckitt, b.w. Munson	38
H. Owen Hughes, c Wolfe-Barry, b Salmon	82
K. H. Batger, c Bumphrey, b Munson	7
A. C. Beck, c Bennett, b Fry	12
A. Reid, c Wolfe-Barry, b Bennett	17
J. D. A. Hutchinson, b Williams	14
A. C. I. Bowker, b Fry	20
E. B. Reed, not out	0
Extras	25
Total	255

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Williams	19	2	62	3
Bennett	11	1	54	2
Fry	11.2	2	37	2
Munson	17	4	59	2
Ponsomby	2	—	12	—
Salmon	3	—	9	1

United Services.—1st Innings.

Cpl. Davies, c Owen Hughes, b Bowker	4
Lieut. Com. Squire, c Owen Hughes, b Reid	16
Squad. Ldr. Bumphrey, b Reid	16
Lieut. Wolfe-Barry, b Reid	22
Lieut. Munson, c S. Reid	24
Pte. Salmon, c Pearce, b Beck	6
Lieut. MacFarlan, c Pearce, b Beck	0
Mid. Ponsomby, b Beck	0
Sig. Williams, b Bowker	15
Lieut. Com. Bennett, not out	16
Lieut. Fry, b Reid	11
Extras	—
Total	123

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Reid	7	2	25	2
Bowker	7	1	30	1
Beck	7	2	42	3
Reid	8.1	1	16	1

EASY VICTORY FOR LANE CRAWFORD.

Skinner's Century Against Electric Co.

Playing for Lane, Crawford's yesterday, F. E. Skinner, of the Kowloon Cricket Club, scored a century against the European staff of the Hongkong Electric Company. The match was played on Craigienower ground at Happy Valley and resulted in a victory for Lane, Crawford's put up a score of 176 runs for five wickets when the closure was applied. In his 104 not out, Skinner sent the ball to the boundary no fewer than 21 times. D. W. Gregory was also in good form with the bat, contributing 50.

The H. E. C. staff found H. Overy, who, with Skinner, turns out regularly for K. C. C. in fine form with the ball and were all out for 49 runs. Overy claimed eight wickets for only 23 runs, only two men on the H. E. C. side reaching double figures. Scores:

Lane, Crawford's.

F. E. Skinner, not out	104
D. W. Gregory, b Way	50
W. S. Hillier, b Way	12
H. Overy, b Padgett	10
Macnider, c Stoker, b Overy	10
R. Y. V. Meade, c Way, b Padgett	0
Total	176
Hampton, Wilson, Ogley, Burson and Owen did not bat.	—

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Muskett	11	1	62	3
Way	11	1	61	3
Stoker	5	—	31	—
Padgett	3	—	20	2

Electric Co.

A. F. Paul, c and b Overy	7
W. B. Muskett, c Meade, b Gregory	6
R. C. Butler, b Overy	2
J. R. Way, c Skinner, b Overy	2
W. Stoker, c Hillier, b Overy	11
G. P. Padgett, c Meade, b Overy	5
H. S. Jones, c Hillier, b Overy	0
R. W. Smith, c Hampton, b Macnider	10
J. O. Dunbar, c Hampton, b Overy	0
Lunny, not out	0

BROPHY STILL HELD UP.

WEATHER NOT FAVOURABLE FOR FLIGHT.

MAY GO TO-MORROW.

Weather conditions between Hongkong and Manila having remained unfavourable for flight, Mr. G. W. Brophy, of the L. E. Gals Company, has not yet set out on the final hop of his test flight, although he is holding himself ready to get away at five minutes' notice as soon as weather reports indicate that conditions have improved.

Mr. Brophy flew his Waco Model "F" landplane from Macao to Hongkong on Sunday afternoon, after having obtained permission to start for Manila from Kai Tak, but extremely low ceilings and practically negligible visibility have rendered the 600 mile flight overland inadvisable.

With a petrol capacity of about 20 gallons, sufficient for between ten and twelve hours' flight, Mr. Brophy is quite willing to make the trip with the weather as it is, but this would mean keeping a course by instruments alone, without being able to gauge "drift" if the ceiling was very low, and, consequently, the journey would take considerably longer than if the weather was good. As this is the first time that a Hongkong-Manila flight has been attempted, Mr. Brophy is anxious to perform the crossing in the quick time that the machine, if given a fair chance with the weather, is capable of doing.

The American pilot hopes that the weather will have cleared up sufficiently for him to set out at eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

K.C.C. HOCKEY TEAM DEFEATED.

SHAMEEN SECURES EASY VICTORY.

Shameen, Feb. 16.

An interesting hockey match was played here yesterday between Shameen Sports Club XI and Kowloon Cricket Club XI. K.C.C. scored the first goal of the match in a few minutes after the bullying, but from this onwards were completely out of the picture, Shameen winning as they liked with a final score of nine goals to one. The following were the teams:

K.C.C.—H. Burson; L. W. Tittle, A. Tait, G. C. Burnett, F. S. W. Smith, F. E. Skinner; E. F. Fincher, E. Zimmerman, E. C. Fincher, W. Hyde, D. S. Green. Shameen S.C.—R. Ashby; E. W. Jeffery, G. Thompson; B. Rasmussen, Von Essen, E. R. Hill; C. S. Archer, J. Sitwell, A. T. Lay, J. W. McHutchens, B. Brind.

It is to be regretted that the tennis match arranged for the afternoon had to be abandoned owing to rain.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

TRAIN CRASH VICTIMS.

BREACH OF DUTY.

A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned at the resumed inquest on the three railwaymen who lost their lives when two petrol tank waggon caught fire following a triple collision at Tottenham.

The dead men were Driver Leonard Percival Wright, of Green-street, Stratford; Goods Guard Walter Chaplin, of Lancing-road, Ilford; and Fireman C. Thorne, of Cromwell-road, Brentwood.

Mr. Henry W. C. Drury, district superintendent, agreed with the coroner (Mr. George Cohen) that there was a regulation that oil tanks should be as far away from the engine and brake van as possible.

Instead of being as far away as possible they were actually as near as possible to one end, the guard's van?—That is in accordance with an old rule. "One must conclude," said the coroner, in summing-up, "however regretfully, that there was some breach of duty on the part of the guard who lost his life, and of the shunter whom I have not called because there is another inquiry into the placing of these petrol tanks in a wrong position in the train."

Extras

Extras	5			
Total	49			
Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Overy	10	2	23	8
Gregory	7	4	10	1
Hampton	1	—	1	—
Macnider	1	—	10	1
Burson	1	1	—	—



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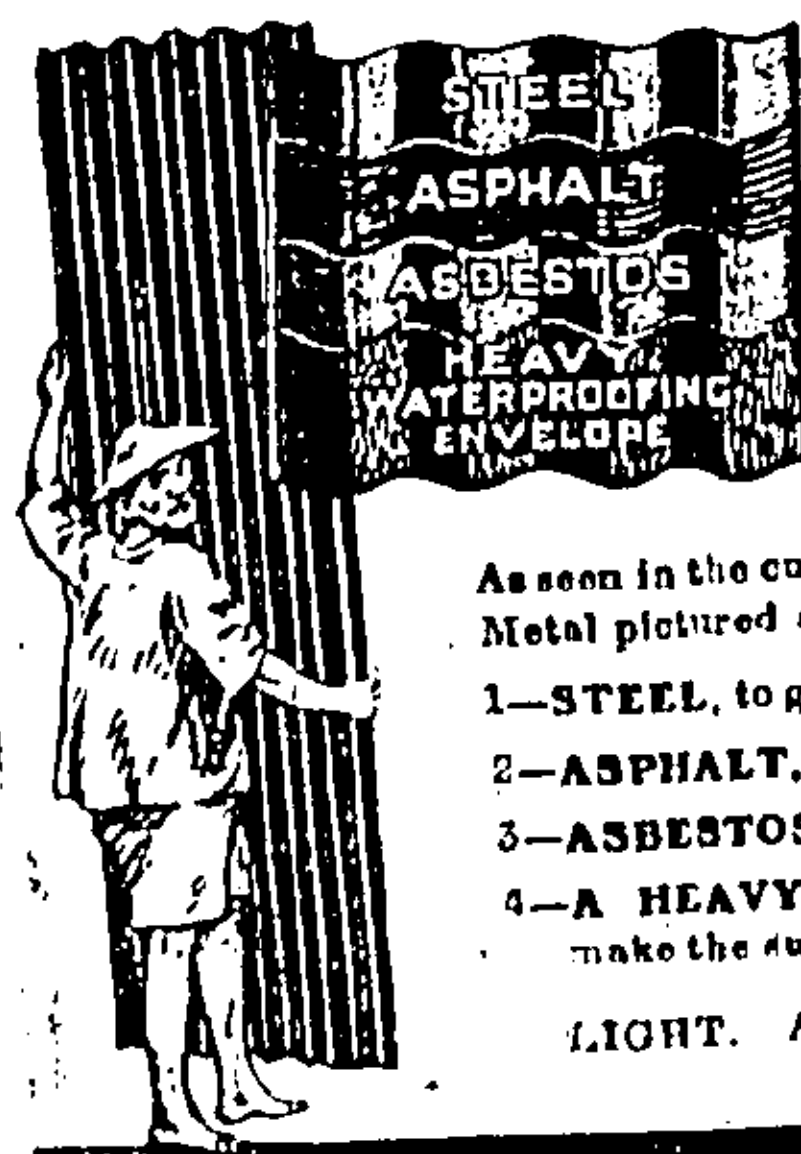
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TO-DAY'S INTERPORT SOCCER MATCH.

PESSIMISM OR OPTIMISM OUT
OF PLACE.

HONGKONG'S CHANCES.

SHANGHAI'S VERY CAPABLE
ELEVEN.

By "Wanderer."

To-day, in this season of Hongkong-Shanghai interport contests, belongs to the soccerites. The rivals meet for the tenth time since the Interport Cup was presented by the *Hongkong Telegraph* for competition, and if enthusiasm counts for aught, there is every assurance of a game worthy of the high traditions of past encounters. Never has interest been greater. Reserved stand accommodation at the Club ground was taken up to the full over a week ago, and hundreds who desired to see the game have had to be disappointed.

With all the interest and with all the enthusiasm, nevertheless, the subject of the prospects of the teams is one not to be approached without some reluctance. If I have been invited once to express an opinion since the announcement of the Hongkong team last Wednesday, my views have been sought a hundred times. Invariably the reply has been the same: the main responsibility now rests upon the forward line.

The match is only a few hours off (at the time of writing) and undue pessimism or undue optimism, either, would be out of place. After all there are so many factors to be taken into consideration in a pregnant match of this kind, with all the players keyed up for a great effort and the majority susceptible to upset or re-animation according to circumstances. A quick goal to either side might very easily dominate the whole trend of the game. The first goal, at whatever stage it comes, is likely to be the most valuable, as rattling the losers, though the chances are, I imagine, that scoring will be pretty free.

Hongkong's Initial Asset.

Hongkong, of course, starts with the distinct advantage of playing before a huge crowd, the bulk of which will be composed of supporters, though feelings are mixed regarding the merits of the team as a whole. It does not impress as a very solid side. We have sent teams North which have been sounder all round. Except for Clark in goal, guarantees of stability are few. If every player rises to the occasion, of course, no fears need be entertained. The team will carry all before it. But, although the age of miracles may not be past, it would be safer not to expect too much.

Forward, there is room for confidence. Given the opportunities, Gosano and Fung King-cheung will keep Chow on his toes from start to finish. Fung is at the height of his form just now and his combination and understanding with Ip Pak-wa and his colleagues of the right is almost worth a goal before the teams get fairly to grips. A. V. Gosano has the right temperament for the big occasion. Stanley Gash has a heavy task. Segalen is in a different category. He doesn't claim to be a goal-getter, and he takes his place in the line chiefly as a constructor. In opposition he will have the finest centre-half in the Far East, Costa, playing on the left, and the outcome of their tussles may well prove an important factor. B. Gosano will serve his purpose better if he sticks closer to the wing than he has been in the habit of doing lately.

Full Back Question.

The half-backs suffer by comparison with the reputations of the Shanghai middle-line, but they are more than good enough to play their part if Li Tin-sang and Strange, who have never yet played together, find an early understanding. The fortunes of the Hongkong side depend very largely upon how these backs

perform, not so much as individuals, in which sphere they may both excel, but as partners and as co-ordinates of the half-backs. Shanghai are fortunate in not having to face a still stronger middle line. Lam Yuk-ying is really second choice to Eynon—who is out of the team through an injury from which he has not recovered, in spite of week-end information (which, in fairness to the committee, I hasten to contradict) to the contrary—and Yeoman is second choice to Lam as left half.

Clark in goal is a brilliant last line of defence.

Shanghai's Eleven.

Shanghai appear to have a better balanced side. If anything, the defence is stronger than the attack, in which three prolific goal scorers are to be found, Sinclair, Collaco and Wildmore.

Wildmore is the star forward of the Green Howards, an adept in ball control and a remarkably good shot from any angle. Collaco and Sinclair are players of the "get there" type, swift to see and swift to give openings. The wingers are dangerous without being quite so impressive as the inside trio.

The strength of the side, however, lies at half-back, where Pote-Hunt, Gash and Costa figure, even the redoubtable Vance having to stand down. This is a line which will contest every inch of the way with the Hongkong forwards, and ably backed by Monroe and Martin, not to mention Chow, easy goals are not likely to be given away.

Whatever the outcome, anent which it would be reckless to express a too decided opinion, there can be no two questions about the promise of a strenuous and thrilling battle for the honours. I think Hongkong can win. Shanghai have a great disadvantage—playing away—to overcome, and it

would not be far wrong to suggest that, on paper, the advantage of ground is worth two goals, provided, that is, the pitch has recovered from the damping down for the rugger match yesterday. Unless last minute changes are made, the teams will line out as follows:

HONGKONG.

Clark.

Strange Li Tin-sang.

Hedley Lam Yuk-ying Yeoman.

Segalen Fung King-cheung.

B. Gosano A. V. Gosano Ip Pak-wa.

SHANGHAI.

Gutierrez Sinclair Elliott.

Wildmore Collaco.

Costa Gash Pote-Hunt.

Monroe Martin.

Chow.

Referee: Mr. Archer.

Previous interport contests since 1923 have resulted:
1923.—Hongkong 0 Shanghai 3
1924.—Shanghai 3 Hongkong 3
1925.—Shanghai 1 Hongkong 0
1926.—Shanghai 5 Hongkong 4
1927.—Hongkong 4 Shanghai 0
1928.—Shanghai 7 Hongkong 0
1929.—Hongkong 3 Shanghai 0
1930.—Shanghai 5 Hongkong 2
Shanghai have won 5; Hongkong have won 3.

Goals: Shanghai 25; Hongkong 19.
The Shanghai team were out at practice yesterday and struck one, without any means of comparison, as a much heavier side, taking it all round, than the Hongkong representatives, while allowing that kicking around gives little idea of form, they appeared to be a formidable combination. Incidentally they are very appreciative of the opportunity given of finding their football feet before the great game.

On Saturday, they oppose the Chinese and will need the best of their players if they are to hold their own, while on Monday, the United Services provide the opposition. Should to-day's game result in a draw, one of these fixtures will have to be cancelled. I also understand that an attempt is being made to arrange another game in Kowloon, the Kowloon team to be drawn from the K.F.C. and the Club de Recreo. It is doubtful whether anything will come of the proposal, though it might provide an interesting fixture on another occasion.

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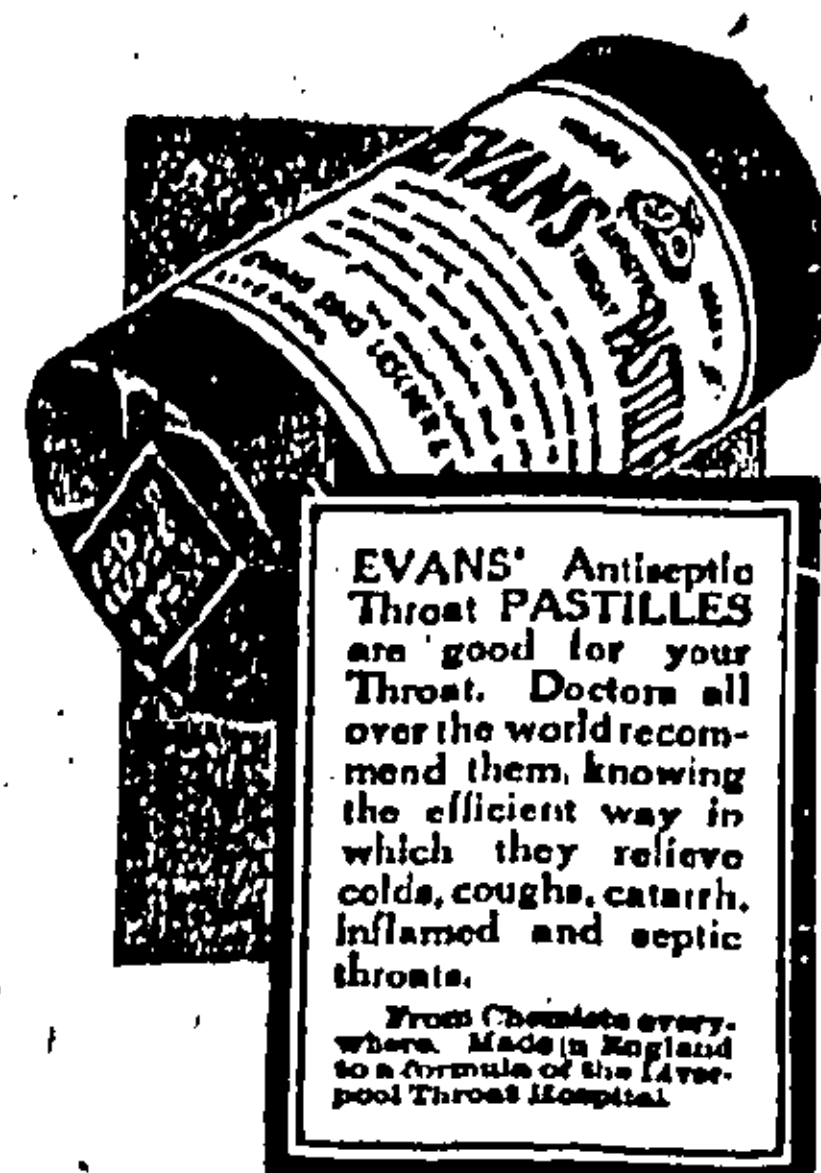
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CHAPTER XXXVII.

The Miles home, still known in Hamilton as the Hackett place, since it had been built more than 30 years before by Flora's father, old Silas Hackett, dead these seven years, dominated one of the most beautiful of the wooded hills which encircled Mirror Lake in the Brentwood section. Of modified Tudor architecture, its deep red, mellowed bricks had achieved in three decades almost the same aged dignity and impressiveness that characterized the three-story-old mansion in England which Silas Hackett's architect had used as an inspiration.

The big house faced the lake, a long series of landscaped terraces leading down to the water's edge, but the driveway wound from the state road up a side hill, to the main entrance at the rear of the house.

Once before, on Sunday, the day after Nita Selim's murder, when he had come to interview Lydia Carr and had secured the alibi which had eliminated Dexter Sprague as a suspect—Dundee had driven his car up this hill between the tall yew hedges, but then he had taken the fork which led to the honied doorway over the kitchen and descended the kitchen stairs with Lydia, to the servants' sitting room in the basement. Now he continued along the main driveway to the more impressive entrance, whose flanking, slim turrets frowned down upon a line of police cars and motorcycles.

His approach must have been expected and observed, for it was the master of the house who opened the great, iron-studded doors and invited him into the broad main hall, at the end of which, down three steps, lay the immense living room. The detective's first glance took in stately arm chairs of the Cromwell period, thick, mellow-toned rugs, and, in the living room beyond, splendid examples of Jacobean furniture. In all this dignified but simple grandeur only Tracy Miles, short, stout, blonde, the typical business habit, struck a false note.

"A horrible thing to happen in a man's home, Dundee," Miles was saying, his plump, rosy face blighted with horror. "I can't realize yet that we actually slept as usual with a corpse lying down here all night! And I have only myself to blame."

"What do you mean?" Dundee asked.

"Why, that the body wasn't discovered sooner," Miles explained. "It had occurred to me that Whitson hadn't closed the trophy room windows, I should have gone in to close and lock them when I made the rounds of living room, dining room and library, after our guests were gone last night."

A pale-faced, bald-headed butler had materialized while his master was speaking. "Beg pardon, sir, but I did not close the trophy room windows because I thought you might be using the room again. . . . You see, sir," and Whitson turned to Dundee, "Mr. Miles and Mr. Dunlap played ping-pong in the trophy room after dinner until the other guests began to arrive, and I did not want them to find the room stuffy—it was a warm night—if any of the guests."

"I see," Dundee interrupted. "Who, to your knowledge, was the last person to enter the trophy room last night, Mr. Miles?"

"I was, except Sprague, of course, and I had no idea he'd gone

there. Drake wanted to play anagrams, and before the bridge game started, I went to the trophy room to get the box," Miles explained. "I turned off the light when I'd got the box, and there was no light burning in there this morning when Celia, the parlor maid, went in there to put the anagram box back in the cabinet, and—found the body."

Flora—Mrs. Miles—had brought the anagrams in from the porch and left them on a table in the living room, as our guests were getting ready to leave. There was nothing else to bring in, in case of rain. The bridge tables are of iron, covered with oilcloth, and fitted with oilcloth bags for the cards, score pads, and pencils."

"Yes, I know," Dundee interrupted. "Miss Carr has already told me all about that, and a good many details of the party itself. By the way where is Mrs. Miles now?"

"In bed. The doctor is with her. She is prostrated from the shock."

"Where is this room you call the trophy room?" Dundee asked. "No, don't bother to come with me. Just point it out. It's on this floor, I understand."

Miles pointed past the great circular staircase that wound upward from the main hall. "You can't see the door from here, but it's behind the staircase. Celia found the door closed this morning, and no light on, as I said—"

Dundee cut him short by marching toward the door which was again closed. He entered so noiselessly that Captain Strawn, Dr. Price and the fingerprint expert, Carraway, did not hear him. For a moment he stood just inside the door and let his eyes wander about the room which Penny had already described. It was not a large room, 12 by 14 feet, possibly—but it looked smaller, crowded as it was with the long ping-pong table, bags of golf clubs, fishing tackle, tennis racquets, skis and sleds. There were two windows in the north wall of the room, looking out upon the yew-hedged driveway, and between them stood a cabinet of numerous big and little drawers.

Not until he had taken in the general aspect of the room did Dundee look at the thing over which Captain Strawn and the coroner were bending—the body of Dexter Sprague.

The alien from New York had fallen about four feet from the window nearer the east wall of the trophy room. He lay on his side, his left cheek against the floor, the fingers of his left hand still clutching the powder-burned bosom of his soft shirt, now still with dried blood, a pool of which had formed and then half congealed upon the rug. The right hand, the fingers half curled but not touching each other, lay palm upward on the floor at the end of the right, outstretched arm. But on the sallow, thin face, which had been strikingly handsome in an obvious sort of way, a peace and dignity which Dundee had never seen upon Sprague's face when the man was alive. The left leg was drawn upward so that the knee almost touched the bullet-pierced stomach.

"How long has he been dead, doctor?" Dundee asked quietly.

"Hello, boy!" Dr. Price greeted him placidly. "Always the same question! I've been here only a few minutes, and I've already told Strawn that I shall probably be

unable to fix the hour of death with any degree of accuracy." "Took your time, didn't you, Bonnie?" Captain Strawn greeted his former subordinate on the homicide squad. "Doc says he's been dead between 10 and 12 hours. Since it's nearly 10 now, that means Sprague was killed sometime between nine and 11 o'clock last night."

"Better say between nine o'clock and midnight last night," Dr. Price suggested. "He may have lived an hour or more—unconscious, of course. For the indications are that he did not die instantly—but staggered a few steps, clutching at the wound. But of course I shall have to perform an autopsy first."

Dundee crossed the room, stepping over the dead man's stick—a swank affair of dark, polished wood with a heavy knob of carved onyx, which lay about a foot beyond the reach of the curled fingers of the still right hand.

"Sprague's hat?" he asked, pointing to a brightly banded straw which lay upon the top of the cabinet.

"Yes," Strawn answered. "And did you notice the window screen?"

He pointed to the window in front of which the body lay. The mesh of leaded panes was raised as high as it would go, and beneath it was a screen of the roller-curtain type, raised about six inches from the window sill. A pair of curved, nickel-plated catches in the centre of the inch-wide metal band on the bottom of the coppernet curtain showed how the screen was raised or lowered.

Dundee nodded, frowning, and Strawn began eagerly:

"You'll have to admit I was right now, boy. You've sneered at my gunman theory and tried to pin Nita's murder on one of Hamilton's finest bunch of people, but you'll have to admit now that every detail of this setup bears me out."

"Sure. This is the way I figure it out: Sprague has good reason to be afraid he's next on the programme. He's nervous. He hops a taxi at his hotel and comes here—can't stick to his room any longer. Wants a little human companionship. This crowd here—and I have Miles' word for it—ain't any too glad to see him, and shows it. He phones for a taxi to go back to his hotel—about 9:15, that was, Miles says—but decides to walk down the hill to meet it. Doesn't want to go back out on the porch and lie about having had a good time, when he hasn't."

"Well, he opens the front door if this was any ordinary house, but before he steps out he sees, or hears something, probably a rustling in the hedge across the driveway, or maybe he even sees a face, in the light from the lanterns on each side of the door."

"He feels sure Nita's murderer has trailed him. In a panic he darts into this room, and don't turn on the light for fear he'll be seen from the windows, but he can see well enough to make out how the screens work. I'll bet you anything you like Sprague stayed in this room for an hour or two, till he thought the coast was clear, then he slipped up this screen, intending to drop to the ground. . . . Not much of a drop at that. You can see that the full hedge on this side of the driveway comes pretty near up to these windows. . . . Well, I figure he laid his hat on this cabinet, intending to reach in for it when he was outside, but that he made some little noise which the gunman was listening for, and that when he got it that neither he nor nobody else heard a shot. . . . Of course, nobody knew Sprague was in here, and since his hat and stick was

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both missing from the hall closet, they took it for granted he'd beat it.

"Any objections to that theory, boy?"

"Just a few—one in particular," Dundee said. "But I grant it's a good one, provided Dr. Price's autopsy bears you out as to the course of the bullet, and that Carraway finds Sprague's fingerprints on that contrivance for raising the screen. Even then—"

But Dundee was not allowed to finish his sentence, for Strawn was summoned to the telephone, by Whitson. When he returned there was a slightly bewildered look on his heavy old face.

"That's funny. . . . Collins—the lad I sent to check up on the taxi companies—says he's located the driver that answered Sprague's call last night. The driver says he was told to wait for Sprague at the foot of the hill, on the main road; says he waited there until half-past 10, then went on back to town, soon a hotted owl."

"It doesn't look exactly as if Sprague were afraid of anyone out side of this house last night, does it?" Dundee asked. "By the way, I suppose you've sent for everyone who was here?"

"Sure!" But again Captain Strawn looked uncomfortable. "But we haven't been able to locate the Beale girl and Clive Hammond."

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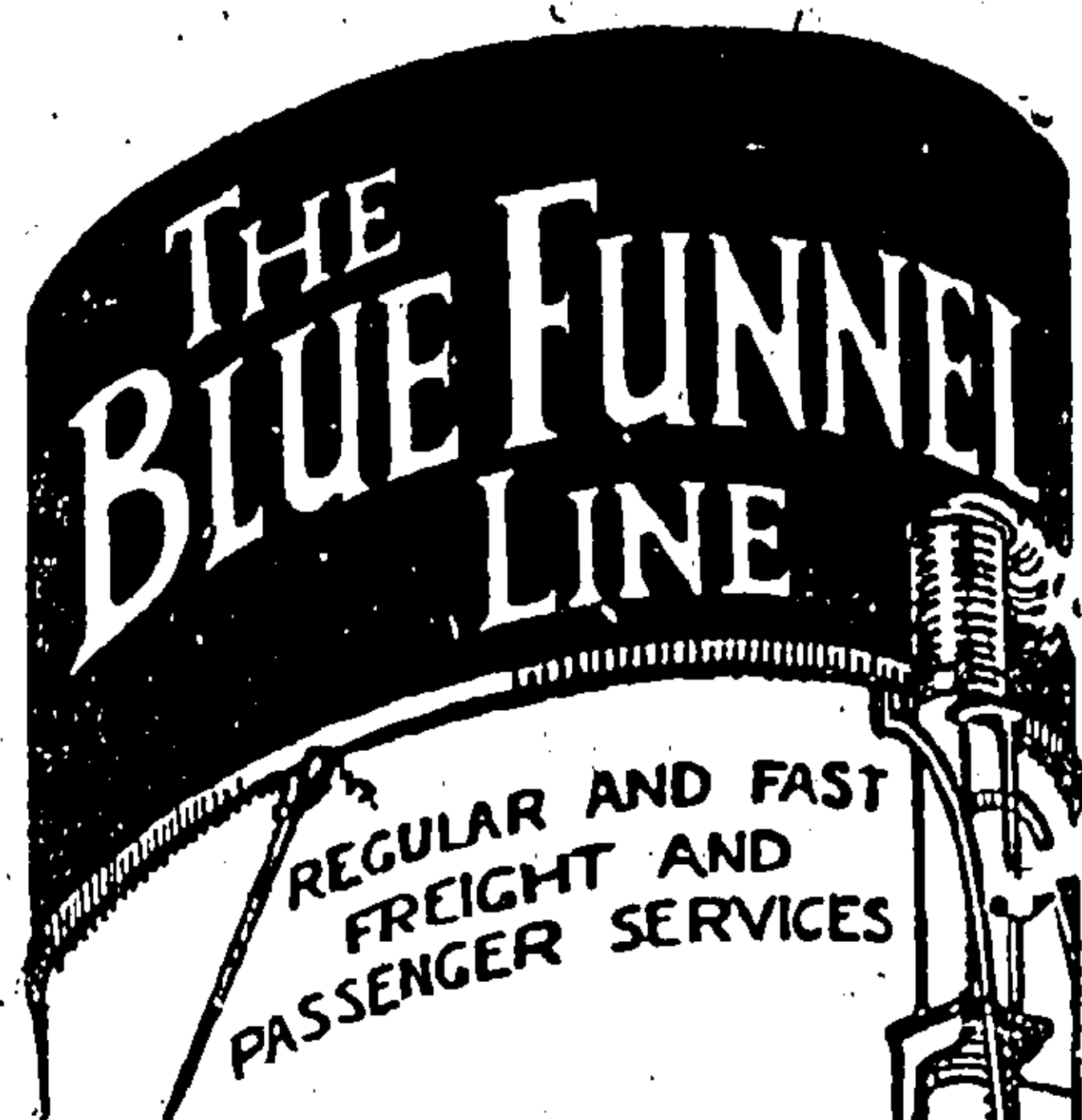
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As previously announced, an attractive programme of exhibition matches has been set out, and with the No. 1 court of the Hongkong Cricket Club placed at the disposal of the contestants, some excellent tennis is assured.

Admission to the ground will be free of charge, but tickets at the nominal price of \$1 will be obtainable at the entrance of the ground for admission to chairs, for which ample provision has been made. The seating accommodation will not be subject to any reservations, and tickets will only be available at the ground on Friday afternoon.

The matches start at 3 p.m. prompt, the first being a singles between T. Honda, the local champion and Jiro Sato, Japan's No. 1 player. This will be followed by a doubles match between J. and H. Sato and the Japanese cousins, and the last pair strike anything like their proper form, as a tie-up engagement is absolutely assured. The final contest of the afternoon, and which should prove a worthy wind-up to a fine entertainment, is the meeting of H. Sato and Khor Hoon-hye, the well-known Malay States exponent.

Despite the rather heavy use of the courts during the past week by the local championships, the No. 1 area should be in excellent condition on Friday, as it will be given a complete rest this week, there being no tournament matches down for decision. As is generally known, the Sato are on their way to Europe, where they will appear in this year's Davis Cup ties, and they have expressed an eagerness to appear in Hongkong, not only in order to give local "fans" an opportunity of enjoying their prowess, but as it presents them with a chance of obtaining practice under conditions somewhat different to those to which they are accustomed.

THE LAST TRAIN.

MAN WHO WAS PREVENTED
FROM CATCHING IT.

"It is all very ridiculous, and a great waste of the defendant's time and everybody else's time," said Mr. Fry, the Magistrate at Bow-street Police Court in dismissing, on payment of costs, a charge against Arthur Boyes, a marine surveyor, of obstructing the stationmaster at Holborn Tube Station.

Mr. John Maude, prosecuting, said that the Tube railways made it a rule to stop issuing tickets four minutes before the last train was due. The reason was that, if a passenger had been issued with a ticket and could not get down by lift in time to catch the last train, the company might be liable to an action.

The stationmaster at Holborn gave orders at 12.21 a.m. that morning that no more tickets were to be sold. Practically at the same moment Boyes entered the station. He was refused a ticket, but he gave his name and address and insisted on going down to the platform by lift.

A train came in and he tried to enter, but he was not allowed to travel, as he had no ticket. The stationmaster had to hold him to prevent his entering the train. A police man was called and Boyes went to Bow-street, saying that he wished to charge the stationmaster with assault, but, in fact, he had not done so.

"I quite appreciate," added Mr. Maude, "that Mr. Boyes probably became annoyed at losing the last train in these circumstances."

The Magistrate—The officials say they won't issue a ticket because of the risk of there being no train, and then when there is a train they won't allow the passenger to travel because he has no ticket. I expect this defendant thought it was all nonsense and lost his temper.

Without hearing any evidence on either side, the Magistrate dismissed the case on Mr. Boyes agreeing to pay £1 1s. costs.

GARAGES AT HOTELS.

MUST THEY BE
FROSTPROOF?

The question whether an hotel proprietor is responsible for damage caused by frost to a guest's motor-car in the hotel garage was raised in the King's Bench Division.

Mr. Raven, proprietor of the Grand Hotel, Northampton, appeared from the County Court Judge's decision awarding £31 16s. 8d. to Mr. H. D. Winkworth, of Woking, for damage to his car during the severe frost of February, 1929.

The garage is enclosed on three sides and has an iron grill in front, which is locked at night.

It was stated that Mr. Winkworth emptied the water from the radiator when told that the garage man had not done so, but next day he found ice in the cylinder, which had cracked.

The County Court judge held that the damage must have been done before the water was removed, and that the hotel proprietor was obliged to provide a frost-proof garage.

Mr. Joy (for Mr. Raven) said the County Court judge rightly held that it was not the ordinary duty of an inn-keeper to interfere with a guest's motor-car by removing the water.

He (Mr. Joy) urged that the guest was only entitled to the accommodation the inn provided. He could not expect heated garages.

The Question of Risk.

Mr. Vine (for Mr. Winkworth) submitted that the County Court judge was right when he held that the garage was unsuitable. If the inn-keeper took reward for parking the car he could not say to the car owner "You are responsible for all the risks and we take none."

Mr. Justice Swift said he was not going to enter into the argument as to how far the duties of an innkeeper extended, but in this case he was a bailie and it was contended that he had failed in his duty as such.

Judgment was reserved.

LOCAL YACHTING.

RESULT OF RACE IN LADIES'
CHAMPIONSHIP.

The eighth Ladies' Championship, R.H.Y.C., was sailed yesterday, the course being: (1) Lyman Boat; (2) Mark on Line; (3) Channel Rocks. Distance, 7.7 miles. The results were as follows:

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	3	Miss T. Dyer	6	0 Mrs. T. Dyer
	4	Miss E. Mackie	7	0 Mrs. E. Mackie
B & C Class, Started 3.05 p.m.	1	Miss M. de Lisle	1	13 Mrs. M. de Lisle
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SUDDEN DEATH OF JAPANESE
PRIVY COUNCILLOR.

Tokyo, Feb. 16.
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Agent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1931.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd February 1931, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 9th March 1931, or they will not be recognized.

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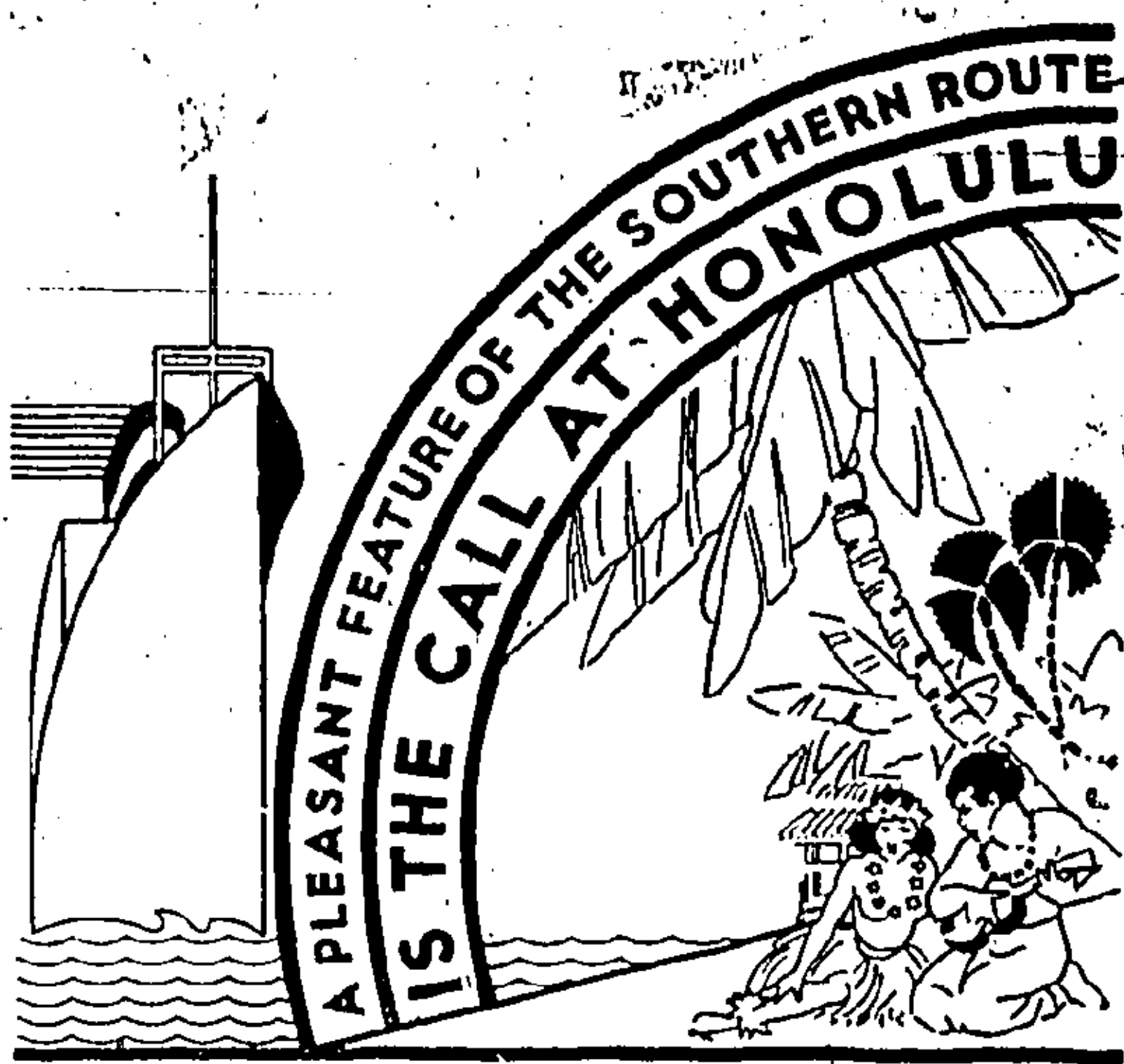
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NAVAL LIEUTENANT
REPRIMANDED.

Pleading guilty to charges of re-
maining off ship for one night
without sanction, and being absent
for two hours without leave, Lieut.
William Guy Drury Blakeney, R.N.,
of H.M.S. Bridgewater, was severely
reprimanded by a naval court-
martial, conducted on board H.M.
S. Medway, on Monday.

On a third charge of negligent
performance of duty for failure to
insert corrections in certain books,
accused was acquitted on the
grounds of an approved prosecution.

The Court was presided over by
Capt. L. F. Potter (H.M.S. Cum-
berland), and was composed of:
Capt. W. P. M. Wardlaw (H.M.S.
Bruce), Capt. C. Cantlie, D.S.O.,
(H.M.S. Medway), Commander E.
G. Morris, (H.M.S. Tamar), Com-
mander J. S. E. Maxwell (H.M.S.
Herald), with Paymaster (Capt.
L. C. E. Ayre, O.B.E., (Secretary to
the Commander in Chief) as Judge
Advocate.

The prosecutor was Commander
C. B. Moore (H.M.S. Bridgewater),
and accused was represented by
Paymaster Lieut. Commander
Wheeler (H.M.S. Medway).

The first charge was that Lieut.
W. G. D. Blakeney, R.N., then be-
longing to H.M.S. Bridgewater,
and now belonging to H.M.S. Med-
way, was a person found, subject
to the Naval Discipline Act, to be
guilty of an act to the prejudice
of good order and naval discipline,
in remaining out of the said ship
for one night, between February
5 and 6, without the previous
sanction of the Commanding Offi-
cer.

The second count was that of
being absent without leave for
two hours on February 10, and
the third charge, for the negligent
performance of duty in not in-
serting corrections in certain con-
fidential books.

To the first two, accused plead-
ed guilty, but he declined to plead
on the third charge.

The Defence.

Evidence was submitted on the
third count, and accused, testifying
on his own behalf, said the
reasons why he did not correct
certain books were because he
was under a strong impression
that the books were loaned to the
wireless office, who were respon-
sible for all books on loan to them,
whilst in another instance he
turned them over to the Leading
SIGNALMAN who was responsible
for the correction of books in use
on the bridge, at the same time
informing him that he would re-
quire the order returned to him.

In reply to his representative,
accused said, that, assuming the
prosecutor's contention that a cer-
tain confidential book was not on
loan when it should have been
corrected, his explanation was
that he was under a strong im-
pression that it was on loan to the
wireless room.

In addressing the Court on be-
half of accused, Lieut. Comdr. Wheel-
er said that accused was charged
with negligent duty, and the most
that had been said against him
was that he failed to correct three
confidential books. They had
heard accused's explanation as to
why those books were not correct-

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return to Paris.

ed, and he submitted that he had
acted as a reasonable person, or
as one of his seniors would have
done, under the same circum-
stances. He maintained that the
prosecution had entirely failed to
prove their case.

The Findings.

After a short adjournment, the
Court found accused guilty on the
two admitted charges, and not
guilty on the third count. He was
accordingly acquitted from the
third charge.

Evidence was given to show
that accused held an excellent
character, several testimonies be-
ing given as to his zeal and effi-
ciency.

An extract was also read from
the log-book of the Bridgewater,
which stated that accused had
been absent on shore without per-
mission at Shanghai, on Septem-
ber 3, 1930.

The Court ordered that accused
should be severely reprimanded
on the first two charges.

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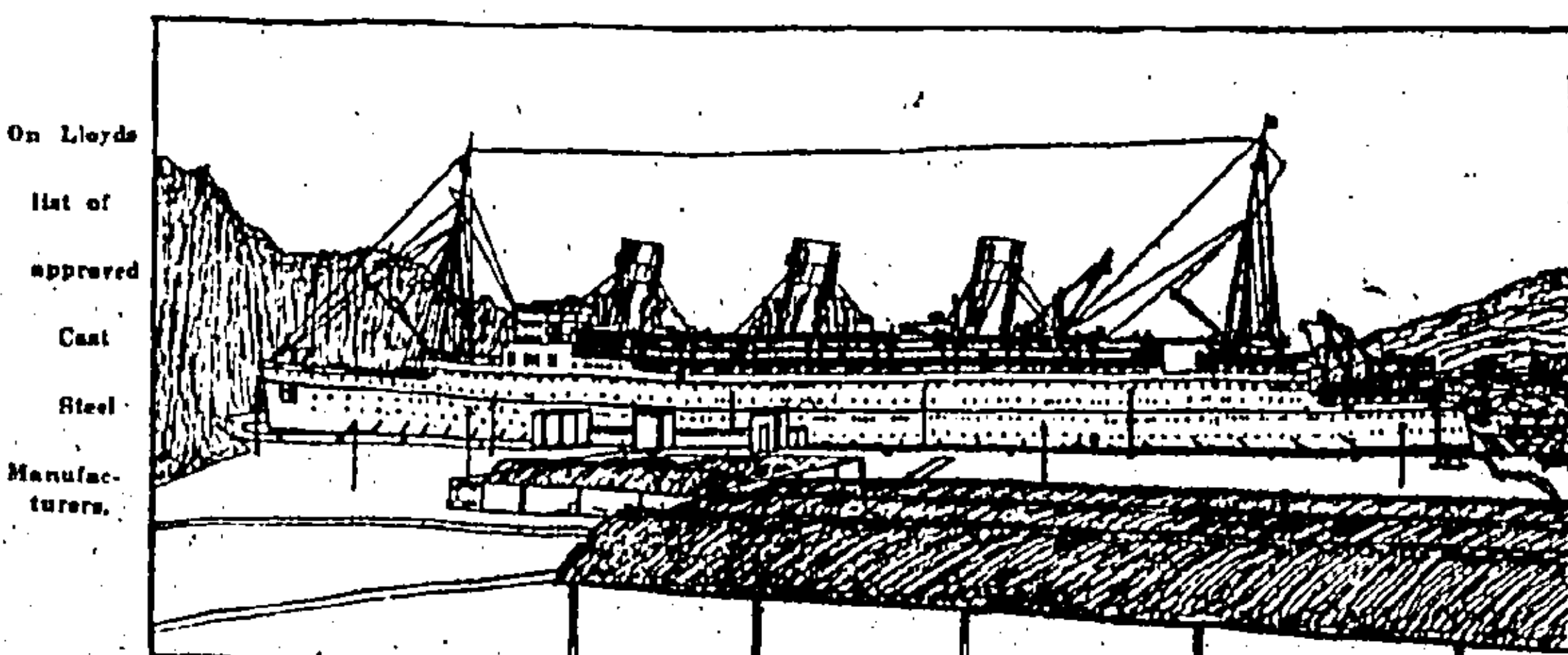
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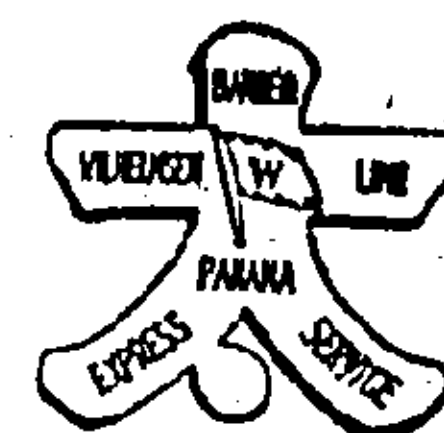


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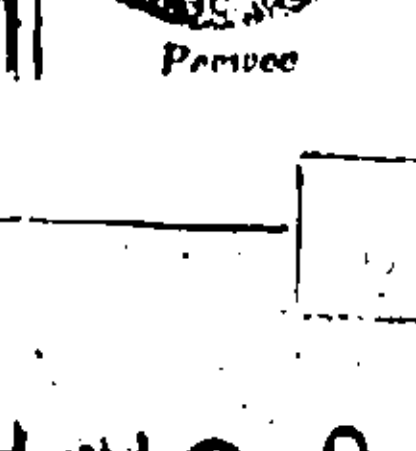
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SALT GABELLE CHANGE.

REPLACEMENT OF BRITON
RAISES QUERY.

NANKING TO EXPLAIN.

London, Feb. 16.
In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. A. M. Samuel (Con., Farnham) asked why the British Chief Inspector of the Chinese Salt Gabelle had been replaced by an American, seeing that the United States did not participate in the foreign Consortium and had not signed the loan on which the foreign reorganization of the Gabelle was based.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, Foreign Secretary, replied that Sir Miles Lampson had instructed his representative in Nanking to draw the attention of the Chinese Finance Minister to the large interests of British bondholders in loans secured on the salt revenue, and to enquire why Mr. Hussey-Freke had been replaced.

It was announced on the 8th instant that the Minister of Finance, Mr. T. V. Soong, had appointed Mr. Frederick Albert Cleveland, an American economist, Acting Associate Chief Inspector of the Salt Gabelle, in succession to Mr. Frederick Hussey-Freke, the latter being appointed Adviser to the Ministry of Finance.

Mr. Cleveland, who came out East with the Kemmerer Currency Commission, later joined the Salt Gabelle as head of the Accountant Department. — *Reuter.*

POLITICAL CRISIS IN SPAIN.

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sultations is not expected to be known to-day.

Senor Guerra, in an interview to-night, declared that he was relying on the support of all upholders of the Constitution. He wanted, he said, to form a Government in which all sections, even the Socialists, would be represented. — *Reuter.*

Guerra Abandons Task.

Madrid, Feb. 17.

Senor Sanchez Guerra has abandoned the task of forming a Cabinet.

The feeling of intense nervousness in the capital has been intensified in consequence of Senor Guerra's failure to form a Cabinet. He has recommended King Alfonso to send for Senor Melquiades Alvarez, the Reformist leader, who stated yesterday that the King must stand aside and not interfere in politics.

The political leaders whom Senor Guerra yesterday interviewed in gaol have issued a declaration that they support the statement of Senors Alcala and Zora, who are also in gaol, which is strongly Republican in sentiment.

It is believed that the Socialists are ready to call a general strike at any time. — *Reuter.*

Dictatorship Possible.

Madrid, later.

It is persistently reported that Martial Law may be proclaimed this evening, and a Dictatorship may be established under the presidency of General Soro.

General Martinez Anido (who was Prime de Rivera's right-hand man and Minister of Interior in his Cabinet) is reported to have been summoned to proceed here by air from the Continent.

The censorship was re-established at 7 o'clock this morning.

Another Failure.

Later.

The attempt to re-establish a Military Dictatorship under the leadership of General Soro has failed. Nevertheless, the situation has gravitated strongly towards the right.

The Constitutional guarantees have again been suspended.

Interest at present centres in the septuagenarian Admiral Aznar, the non-political head of the Navy, who is seeking to form a Cabinet "Moirarchical unity." He claims to have already secured the support of the proved Loyalists, Marquis Alhucemas, Count Romanones, and Senors Maura, La Cierva and Camba. — *Reuter.*

Queen Ena Returns.

London, Feb. 16.

Queen Ena of Spain, who made a hurried visit to England a fortnight ago when the health of her mother, Princess Beatrice, was causing anxiety, left London to-day on her return to Spain.

The King and Queen were at Victoria Station to bid farewell to Queen Ena, who for some minutes remained in close conversation with their Majesties.

As the train moved off, the Queen waved a farewell to the large crowd which gave Her Majesty a cordial send-off. — *British Wireless.*

SENSATIONAL PLAY IN THE FOURTH TEST.

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31 runs hit from him. His analysis this morning was:

O.	M.	W.	R.
4.1	0	15	6

With the greater part of the day remaining for play, with South Africa in a better position than appeared at one time probable, requiring 317 runs to win, the prospect of a finish seemed bright. The match could go either way, with England having the brighter prospects.

At the lunch interval, 24 runs had been obtained for the loss of one wicket, Stedie being out to Tate after making eight. Curnow was not out four and Mitchell not out 7.

The total mounted steadily after lunch, but at 63, Tate claimed his second victim, Curnow stepping in front of a straight ball and being adjudged leg before. He had made only 12 runs out of 63.

Mitchell Bats Superbly.

Mitchell, meantime, had been giving a very stylish display of batting, and it was not until a few minutes before tea that his wicket was taken. He had scored 74 runs in a free display, including twelve fours.

Taylor was out to Voce after making 13, but Catterall and Cameron defied the bowling until the interval when 141 runs had been obtained for 4 wickets, England's chances at this stage looking very bright.

South Africa Rally.

When the fifth wicket fell at 153, this appearance was more emphasized. The whole complexion was, however, changed by a splendid stand for the sixth wicket between Viljoen and Cameron, which added 52, of which Viljoen made 31, and another valuable partnership for the seventh between Cameron and McMillan, which closing at 261 brought the certainty of a draw.

Cameron batted magnificently, at a critical time. He was undefeated at the close with 69 runs to his credit, of which forty had been obtained by boundary hits. He was at the wickets for two hours. He did not allow his game to consist of early on, but he took his cue from Viljoen later and attacked the bowling vigorously.

Stumps were drawn with the score-board showing 280 runs for 5 wickets, South Africa being only 36 runs in arrears.

The full scores, as cabled by Reuter, follow:

England.—1st Innings.

R. E. S. Wyatt, lb.w., Nupen	37
H. W. Lee, lb.w., Nupen	18
W. E. Hammond, c McMillan, b Hall	75
E. Hendren, c Cameron, b Hall	64
M. Leyland, lb.w., Hall	91
M. J. Turnbull, c Cameron, b McMillan	25
McMillan, c Mitchell, b Hall	28
Parrimony, c Nupen, b Vincent	3
A. P. F. Chapman, b Nupen	5
M. W. Tate, c Mitchell, b McMillan	26
W. Voce, not out	41
Extras	20

Total 442
Fall of wickets: 1 for 41, 2 for 64, 3 for 183, 4 for 231, 5 for 320, 6 for 337, 7 for 341, 8 for 352, 9 for 385, 10 for 442.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hall	37	5	106	4
Catterall	37	1	16	4
Nupen	51	7	148	3
McMillan	10.4	1	62	2
Vincent	26	8	69	1
Viljoen	4	—	13	—

South Africa.—1st Innings.

S. H. Curnow, lb.w., Hammond	62
T. J. Stedie, lb.w., Tate	68
H. W. Taylor, c Peables, b Peables	72
R. H. Catterall, c Hammond, b Tate	11
K. Viljoen, b Voce	30
H. B. Cameron, b Peables	2
Q. McMillan, c Hendren, b Peables	12
E. P. Nupen, not out	11
C. L. Vincent, lb.w., Peables	0
Hall, b Peables	0
Extras	20

Total 295
Fall of wickets: 1 for 10, 2 for 112, 3 for 167, 4 for 195, 5 for 240, 6 for 248, 7 for 280, 8 for 295, 9 for 295, 10 for 295.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Tate	27	9	46	2
Hammond	28	6	50	1
Voce	32	11	106	1
Peables	38.5	10	63	6
Wyatt	2	—	10	—

ENGLAND.—2ND INNINGS.

Wyatt, lb.w., b Vincent	7
Lee, c Mitchell, b Catterall	1
Hammond, c Mitchell, b Catterall	15
Hendren, c Vincent, b Nupen	45
Leyland, c Mitchell, b Nupen	46
Tate, c McMillan, b Nupen	38
Chapman, c Taylor, b Nupen	3
Voce, c Stedie, b Nupen	5
Turnbull not out	2
Peables, c and b Nupen	2
Extras	7

Total (for 9 wickets decd.) 169
Fall of wickets: 1 for 3, 2 for 23, 3 for 23, 4 for 120, 5 for 125, 6 for 135, 7 for 167, 8 for 167, 9 for 169.

LAST EIGHT IN THE ENGLISH CUP.

TWO KEENESEST GAMES IN BIRMINGHAM.

BIG TEAMS IN LUCK.

London, Feb. 16.

The draw for the sixth round of the Association Football Cup was made to-day and resulted as follows:

Sunderland	v. Exeter
West Brom.	v. Wolves
Everton	v. Southport
Birmingham	v. Chelsea

The matches are to be played on February 28.—*Reuter.*

The fixtures appear, at this distance, to be a time lot for the last round before the semi-finals. Birmingham is exceedingly fortunate in having a choice of the two keenest games on the programme, and it is probable that the meeting of the two Second Division rivals, the Albion and the Wolves will prove the most thrilling.

Sunderland and Everton appear to have very easy passages into the semi-final round, while Chelsea should not be unduly worried at the prospect of a visit to Birmingham.

League Games.

London, Feb. 16.

In the South section of the Third Division, Thames, playing at home, defeated Watford by three goals to two.

In the Northern section, Halifax entertained Rochdale and won by a like margin.—*Reuter.*

London, Feb. 17.

In the First Division of the English League, Grimsby, playing at home, beat Bolton by four goals to one.

In the Northern Section of the Third Division, Southport entertained York and won by one goal to nil.—*Reuter.*

BOY WHO NURSED CAT.

EXPULSED FROM A SWISS SCHOOL.

On the ground that his son, Ronald, aged 19, had, without justifiable cause, been summarily expelled from school, Mr. Walter J. A. Skinner, of Chalfont-avenue Putney Hill, brought an action at Wandsworth County Court claiming damages for alleged breach of contract from Mr. W. Channing Pearce, proprietor and headmaster of Alpine College, Arveges Sur Bex, Switzerland.

Judge Harington awarded Mr. Skinner 50 guineas damages and costs.

Nursed A Cat.

Ronald Skinner, giving evidence, said that Mr. Pearce had complained of his slowness, and said that it was waste of money for him to remain any longer at the college. On one occasion, said witness, he was turned out of a classroom because he nursed a cat on his knee. Complaint had also been made that he had used bad language, but he had never done so in the presence of younger boys.

Mr. Pearce said Skinner had used bad language and borrowed money from other boys. His influence was detrimental to the school. Witness called a meeting of all the masters and prefects, and after discussing the boy's conduct, they came to the unanimous opinion that he must go at once.

Witness then sent him to the school at Lausanne.

Not Justified.

Judge Harington, giving judgment, said he was of opinion that Mr. Pearce was not justified in summarily removing—that was to say expelling—this boy from school without the knowledge of the parents without ever having made a demand that the boy should be immediately removed and without ever having complained to the parents of the boy's conduct. The boy's conduct was certainly not such as to justify instant dismissal, because many of the things complained of were really of a trivial kind.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Catterall	10	1	25	2
Nupen	9	2	47	0
Hammond	16.1	1	46	0
McMillan	2	0	12	0

SOUTH AFRICA.—2ND INNINGS.

Stedie, c Hammond, b Tate	8
Curnow, lb.w., b Tate	12
Mitchell, c Hammond, b Voce	74
Taylor, b Voce	13
Catterall, lb.w., b Peables	21
Cameron not out	69
Viljoen, c Hammond, b Voce	31
McMillan, c Hendren, b Voce	21
Nupen not out	11
Extras	17

Total (for 7 wickets) 280
Fall of wickets: 1 for 14, 2 for 63, 3 for 102, 4 for 135, 5 for 153, 6 for 209, 7 for 261.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Tate	22	6	52	2
Hammond	11	2	27	0
Voce	32	7	87	4
Peables	27	6	88	1
Leyland	4	0	11	0

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